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Br. 'Blitz' Cracks Up Italian Empire

BENGHAZI FALLS: GRAZIANI'S SURPRISE

Bolt From Out Of Western Desert

ADVANCE IN ERITREA: BATTLE FOR KEREN

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)
LONDON. February 7.

THE laconic announcement this morning, "Benghazi is in our hands", was greeted with delight in London. Details of the victory are not available, but the capture means that all Cyrenaica has fallen to Britain.

ITALIAN ATTACK IMPOSSIBLE

Italian forces from Tripoli would have to cross hundreds of miles in the desert before they would be able to attack Benghazi, and succour from sea would also be impossible.

BRILLIANT OFFENSIVE

General Wavell's army must have covered terrific distances during the last forty-eight hours. The capture of Benghazi in less than two months after the attack on Sidi Barrani, undreamed of sometimes ago, must be reckoned as one of the most brilliant military offensives in history.

"WAVELL IS A WIZARD"

CAIRO, Feb. 7.

The news that Benghazi is in British hands came like a thunderbolt to all circles in Cairo, says Reuter's special correspondent with the G.H.Q. Even many soldiers had assumed that owing to the mountainous nature of the country to the west of Derna, offering many points of resistance, the Benghazi episode would not take place immediately. Egyptian opinion is summed up by the phrase heard everywhere: "Wavell is a wizard."

Graziani's Last Stronghold

Officially confirming the Cairo report of the fall of Benghazi, London military circles stated that no details of the attack were available but added that the reports showed that heavy sandstorms had been prevailing in the Benghazi area.

Benghazi, Marshal Graziani's last stronghold and the most important base in the Cyrenaica province of Libya, has a population of 35,000 including a considerable number of Maltese, Greeks, Italians and Jews. The town is clean and well-built and possesses a fine bazaar, several mosques and synagogues.

LIGHTNING LEAP

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the British G.H.Q. in the Middle East wires:—

"With another lightning leap forward in their record-breaking advance across North Africa, British Imperial Forces yesterday entered Benghazi, the last Italian stronghold in Eastern Libya, after a swift and sudden battle in a blinding sandstorm. Italian resistance is believed to have been negligible.

An idea of the magnitude of the British success can be obtained from a consideration of the fact that less than two months have elapsed since the beginning of the offensive, yet British troops are now 400 miles from Sidi Barrani and 600 miles from Alexandria.

To-day British uniforms can be seen in the Palmlined Avenues of Benghazi providing the bewildered inhabitants with evidence of the crackup of the Italian Empire.

BRITISH PLAN

Despite the rapidity with which Benghazi has fallen, a complete scheme for British administration of the occupied territory is already in existence. An official announcement, however, must be awaited for details.

Looking back on the whole cam-

(Continued on page 7, Col. 1)

"WIZARD OF WESTERN DESERT": Sir Archibald Wavell, C-in-C of the British Forces in Middle East who has cracked up the Italian Empire.

ITALY DOES NOT MENTION IT!

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Although the Italian High Command 'communique' to-day does not admit the fall of Benghazi, it records "a violent battle" in the southern part of the Benghazi area.

Concerning East Africa the 'communique' says that fighting is going on in the Keren section.

It adds that there is nothing of importance to report from the Greek Front.

A British air raid on Asmara in Eritrea is mentioned.—Reuter.

Afghan King Confers With War Minister

PESHAWAR, Feb. 7

His Majesty King Zahir Shah of Afghanistan conferred with His Royal Highness Sardar Shah Mahmud Khan, Afghan Minister of War at palace Dilkhusha. Kabul, according to the "Islah".

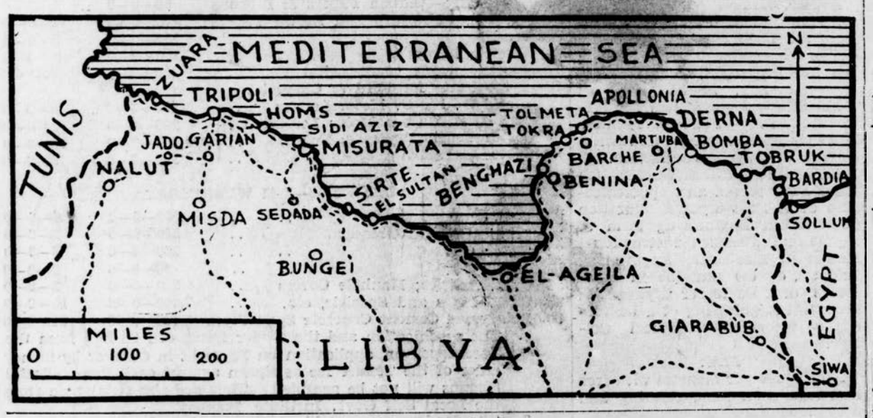
On the following day, the King gave an audience to Mohd. Yusuf, Khan, head of the Department of Agriculture.—A. P.

Sir Campbell Rhodes Dead

LONDON, Feb. 7

The death has occurred of Sir Campbell Rhodes.—Reuter.

Campbell Rhodes was a former member of the Bengal Legislative Council and Indian Legislative Assembly, representing European constituency. He was the first Chairman of Hoare, Miller & Co. Ltd., Calcutta and Bombay. He was also president of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce and also of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of India and Ceylon in 1922.



STOP PRESS

GEN. MILCH ON NAZI AIR DEFENCES

LONDON, Feb. 7.

"Danger hovers over everybody in Germany" declared General Milch, Inspector-General of the Luftwaffe in a talk on the Air Defences of Germany broadcast on the Bremen Radio to-night. General Milch added that because of this danger, everyone who believed in the future of the German people must remain calm and consider "how small is the total danger done by the English." Remember that the great goal can be reached only if you clench your teeth and do your bit in the great task. It is a great thing if the tired out worker who spends half the night in a shelter can clock in punctually the next day."—Reuter.

JAPANESE FORCES IN PIYANG WIPED OUT

SHANGHAI, Feb. 7.

Japanese forces in Piyang, Tang river and Pai river regions of Southern Honan are being completely encircled, according to the Chinese press reports to-day (Friday).

Six Chinese Divisions are now engaged in operations against the Japanese at Piyang, some 30 miles west of Mingkang on Peiping-Hankow railway, it is reported. The majority of the Japanese forces in Piyang are stated to have been already wiped out.—Reuter.

LEASE & LEND BILL AMENDMENT REJECTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

An amendment to the Lease and Lend Bill making Russia the only specific exception among the nations "whose defence the President deems vital to the Defence of the United States" and which conceivably could be provided with military equipment from the United States was defeated by 185 votes to 94 in the House of Representatives to-day (Friday).—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT'S LETTER TO CHIANG KAI-SHEK

CHUNGKING, Feb. 7.

A personal letter from President Roosevelt was delivered to General Chiang Kai-Shek to-day by Mr. Lauchlin Currie President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy to China who landed here by air from Hongkong.—Reuter.

BLITZ BATTLE FOR ABYSSINIA

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the South African forces in Abyssinia writes: "The battle for Abyssinia is now under way. South African troops in large numbers have crossed the border from Kenya and captured strong Italian post at Gorai, a crater 20 miles inside Abyssinia.

The Italians suffered considerable losses in both men and materials. At least 30 Italians were killed and about the same number were wounded and 47 were taken prisoner. This action was a blitz battle carried out with superb generalship and great courage by troops who had never previously been in action.—Reuter.

ASSAM & BENGAL CONGRESS M. L. A.'S TO WITHDRAW

So Far As Congress Is Concerned, There Is No Political Stalemate, Says Kripalani

MADRAS, Feb. 7.

"The progress of the Satyagraha movement is very satisfactory. Congressmen are maintaining excellent discipline. Even those who at the beginning entertained misgivings about the utility of launching an individual Civil Disobedience movement are now convinced about its wisdom and efficacy", observed Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretay of the Congress, who arrived here last evening from Wardha in an interview to the "United Press."

AS LONG AS GANDHIJI IS FREE

Asked whether there is any likelihood of the movement assuming mass characters Acharya Kripalani said: "That depends upon Government. So long as Gandhiji is free, he will regulate the movement and maintain its present character."

Referring to general political situation Acharya Kripalani stated: "So far as the Congress is concerned there is no political stalemate. The Congress is not bothering itself about the statements of British statesmen on the Indian situation. It has already clarified its position and formulated its policy. Occasional peace moves about which mention is made in the Press are only inspired peace offensives. They are only in the form of the usual peace offensives of Government after the commencement of a Satyagraha movement."

A.I.C.C. CIRCULAR AND LOCAL BODIES

Clarifying the circular issued by the A.I.C.C. regarding the resignation of the Congress members from local bodies the General Secretary said: "We have not asked all Congress members of local bodies where they are either office-bearers or members of elective Congress Committees to offer Satyagraha if they are otherwise qualified. In a local body where Congressmen are in a minority where anything is done contrary to the Congress war policy the members should resign in protest."

IN PUNJAB, ASSAM & SIND

Regarding the withdrawal of Congress members from legislatures where the Congress Party is in a minority Acharya Kripalani said: "The Congress members in the Punjab Assembly have already withdrawn. Assam will follow suit. We are in correspondence in respect of Bengal. The Congress Party in the Sind Assembly will not be asked to withdraw for the present in view of the peculiar situation in that province."

Acharya Kripalani meets the Congress workers of Andhra and Tamil Nad on Sunday and leaves for Wardha on Monday morning by the Grand Trunk Express.—United Press.

No Revival Of "Harijan"?

WARDHA, Feb. 7.

Though the Delhi Conference of the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference passed a resolution requesting Mahatma Gandhi to revive Harijan weeklies, it is understood that there is no intention of reviving the Harijan under the prevailing conditions.—United Press.

HITLER HAS NO CHOICE

Invasion Of Britain Is Doomed To Failure, Says Sikorski

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The German attempt to invade Britain is "doomed to failure" and General Wavell's lightning victories in Libya "are decidedly checking Hiter's plans in the Mediterranean and North Africa."

These were the two main points made by the Polish Premier and C.-in-C. of the Polish Army, General Sikorski, broadcasting to the Poles in Poland from London to-night.

He stated: "The Germans cannot undertake any serious action in Africa without occupation of French territories on the Mediterranean. But they must first take possession of Malta and it is imperative for Hitler to defeat the invincible British Navy in order to carry German land forces across the sea.

But none of these actions would speed up the end of the war. A brutal and conclusive invasion of Britain remains for them the only solution.

The invasion of Britain and Ireland would certainly not represent one of those 'crushing offensives' which, according to Goebbels, the Germans are always preparing for during 'long but creative lulls.'

German soldiers are as a rule panic-stricken at the thought of invasion. Britain is to-day an armed fortress of immense strength whose defences on land, sea and air are such that any attempt to dominate her is doomed to failure."—Reuter.

Petain Pleads For Urgent U. S. Help

LAVAL PLAN TO MAKE MARSHAL A PUPPET

Weygand Declares No Base For Nazis In Africa

(From Our Correspondent)
LONDON, February 7.

M. LAVAL is expected to reach Vichy in a few days with a dominant role in the Government, relegating Marshal Petain to the position of a figure-head.

Other reports expect that M. Laval would set up Government in Paris with Marshal Petain as the nominal President.

The position is expected to be clarified this week-end.

NO BASE FOR NAZIS

Weygand's Declaration

VICHY, Feb. 7.

General Weygand has formally denied reports that France would permit Germany to use the base of Bizerta.

Speaking over the Algiers radio in the name of the French Government, General Weygand also denied that negotiations were proceeding for the cession of Bizerta or for landing of German troops there.

Petain Pleads For Aid

Marshal Petain to-day had a long and cordial conversation with Mr. Howard Kershner, European Director of the American Friends Service. This service is a relief organisation sponsored by the religious sect known as the "Quakers".

Mr. Kershner described the relief work done by the Service, particularly for French women and children and refugees.

Marshal Petain expressed profound thanks and emphasised France's urgent need of American help and recalled the long friendship between the two countries. He expressed the hope and belief that the ties between them would never be broken.

Darlan In Paris

BERLIN, Feb. 7.

Admiral Darlan who arrived in Paris last night had a conversation with the French Ambassador, Comte de Brinon, says a Paris message to the Official News Agency. The message adds that Admiral Darlan is returning to Vichy on Saturday.—Reuter.

(See Page 10).

GEN. WEYGAND: He says French Naval Base will not be ceded to the Nazis.

SATYAGRAHA NEWS

Surat Convictions

(From Our Correspondent.)
SURAT, Feb. 7.

For offerng Satyagraha Shri Bhaskarrao Desai from Surat (2) Somabhai Jivabhai from Mor of Olpad and (3) Raghnathji Haribhai Naik from Kalamtha of Jalalpore were arrested and brought to Surat sub jail where they have been sentenced to four months' imprisonment each.

Shri Ishverlal Julabbhai Desai President, Surat City Congress Committee intends to offer Satyagraha on the 10th inst. and notice has also been given by him to the Dist. Magistrate while on the same day Chandulal Kalidas from Bhatgam of Olpad (2) Chhanabhai Naranji from Kantali of Bardoli (3) Dayanand Sukhabhai Patel from Sarpore of Jalalpore and (4) Chunilal Gopaldas from Mandvi intend to offer Satyagraha.

More Satyagraha News On Page 8

ITALO-SWISS FRONTIER CLOSED

ZURICH, Feb. 7.

According to a statement issued by the Italian Chamber of Commerce here, Italy has closed the Italo-Swiss Frontier for goods and passengers. No reason is given.—Reuter.

INDO-BRITISH FINANCIAL DEAL

Transactions Involve About 90 Million Pounds Sterling

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Financial transactions involving nearly 90 million pounds sterling between the United Kingdom Government and the Indian Government are announced by the British Treasury.

Holders of five Indian Government Sterling Loans are to sell them to the British Treasury at the price ruling at the close of business to-day. The British Treasury will then hand them over to the Indian Government at the same price for cancellation. Payments will be made by the Indian Government out of the large sterling balances which have been accumulated by the Indian Government since the outbreak of the war as a result of the large increase of British imports from India.

The decision to do this was made following the realisation that India's large sterling balances might properly be used for debt redemption.—Reuter.

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42. SITUATIONS VACANT

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Wanted qualified Dental-Surgeons apply with copies of testimonials to Box No. 14201 "Bombay Chronicle."

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303. MACHINERY WANTED.

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270. PALMISTS

International-famed Professor Ishwarprasad Joshi, Astro-Palmist Cotton Shares Race expert, Rambhuvan Thakurdwar, Bombay. All diseases treated, fee Moderate. (14205)

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The money will be advanced against Loan, Hundi, Ornaments, Insurance policies, personal write or see. For reply enclose stamp. Narottamdas Harjivandas Shroff, Masjid Bunder Road 272, Opp. Imperial Bank. (14203)

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AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE

TENDERS FOR THE ANNUAL SUPPLIES will be received by the Chief Officer, Ahmedabad Municipality for the year 1941-42 ending 31st March, 1942, on or before the dates mentioned above each group.

Tenders should be addressed to the Chief Officer and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant not later than 4 P.M. All tenders must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and the No. of the Schedule and the names of the articles should clearly be stated thereon.

DATE 17—2—1941 MONDAY.

		Earnest Money	Tender Fee
5	Chlorine Gas Liquid	500—0—0	5—0—0
6	Petrol in Bulk	4,500—0—0	10—0—0
7	Asphalt	3,600—0—0	10—0—0
8	Pesterine or Similar Larvicide ..	700—0—0	5—0—0
9	Disinfectants	550—0—0	5—0—0
10	Coal	150—0—0	2—0—0

DATE 27-2-1941 THURSDAY

21	Stationery:—Carbon Papers & Ribbons	50—0—0	1—0—0
22	„ „ Foolscap and Brown Papers	175—0—0	3—0—0
23	Lead Pig	500—0—0	5—0—0
24	Electric Lamps	150—0—0	2—0—0
25	Electric goods (Accessories) ..	150—0—0	2—0—0
26	Spare Parts for Ford & Chevrolet and G. M. C. Motor Lorries ..	700—0—0	5—0—0
27	Ball Bearings for Motor Lorries ..	200—0—0	2—0—0
28	Motor Trucks, Tyres & Tubes ..	1,400—0—0	10—0—0
29	Motor Accessories	200—0—0	2—0—0

DATE 5—3—1941 WEDNESDAY

30	Fuel Oil	300—0—0	5—0—0
31	Lubricating Oil Greases ..	200—0—0	2—0—0
32	Motor Oils	500—0—0	5—0—0
33	Packings	80—0—6	2—0—0
34	C. I. Articles; Manhole Covers ..	250—0—0	2—0—0
35	C. I. Pipes and Specials, etc. ..	7,000—0—0	10—0—0
36	Reinforced Cement Concrete Spun Pipes	5,000—0—0	10—0—0

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(Sd.) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.

Dated 5th February, 1941. (4291)

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY

The Divisional Engineer, G.I.P., Railway, Poona, invites tenders for supplying broken trap stone ballast on the Dhond, Sholapur, and Shahabad Sections. The Form of Tender, Schedule and Conditions of Contract can be obtained from his Office on payment of Rs. 2 per set for each section. These sums will not be refunded. (4278)

NOTICE.

FRESH SEALED TENDERS for redyeing the following articles of Bombay City Police Uniforms will be received by the undersigned upto 1 p.m. on Monday the 17th February 1941.

(1) Dark Blue Drill Suit.
(2) Blue Haversack.

The dye used for the above shall be the best direct dye. The tender should be superscribed as "Tender for redyeing the B.C.P. Uniforms." Further information can be had from Head Police Office, Bombay No. 1.

N. M. KAMTE,
for Commissioner of Police.
Dy.,
Head Police Office,
Bombay, 7th February, 1941. (4294)

THE AHMEDABAD-PRANTEJ RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of THE AHMEDABAD-PRANTEJ RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on TUESDAY, the 25th day of February, 1941, at 4-30 p.m. at the Registered Office of the Company Home Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 31st December 1940.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors in the place of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, Kt., C.I.E., M.B.E., and Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai, who retire by rotation, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
4. To sanction the payment of a Bonus to the Company's Staff.
5. To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 10th to TUESDAY, the 25th February 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 30th January, 1941. (4290)

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of Liquid Clorine & Ammonia required by the Municipality during the year 1941-42, are invited so as to reach the undersigned on or before 20th February, 1941.

Each tender must accompany Rs. 50|- as earnest money without which no tender will be considered.

Further particulars and specifications can be had from the Municipal Engineer's office.

B. B. MALIA,
Chief Officer,
Borough Municipality, Surat.
Surat Dated, 5-2-41. (4292)

A CAPITAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE DESIRING TO PURCHASE VALUABLE JEWELLERY OF PATTERNS OF PRESENT DAY FASHIONS.

OFFERS ARE INVITED for purchase of valuable articles of jewellery. The articles are, among other things necklaces of diamonds and emeralds, diamond butties, nose rings, diamond and ruby pendants, strings of pearls and gold ornaments. Offers should be made separately for each article and sent under sealed covers to the undersigned so as to reach him not later than THURSDAY, 20th February, 1941. The said jewellery can be seen at the Office of the undersigned between 3 to 5 p.m. from MONDAY, 10th February, 1941 onwards.

Dated this 1st day of February, 1941.

B. K. DESAI,
Court Receiver.
Maneckji Wadia Building,
125, Esplanade Road,
Fort, Bombay. 4254

DISTRICT LOCAL BOARD BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT, ANDHERI

Telephone No. 86048.

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of Metal & Muram during 1941-42 are invited by the undersigned on or before the 13th February, 1941 in the forms supplied by this Office. Earnest money of Rs. 50/- must accompany each tender in cash.

Prescribed form for each work can be had from this Office on payment of Re. 1/- per form. Any further information and forms may be obtained from this Office or Local Self-Govt. Institute, 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, during Office hours.

J. A. ALI,
President,
District Local Board, B.S.D.
Andheri, 4th February, 1941. 4225

Public Notices

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Competitive examinations will be held separately in or about August, 1941, for selecting candidates for filling four permanent vacancies. *(two in Class I and two in Class II) in the Sind Service of Engineers.* One of the two vacancies in each class is reserved for Muslims. A candidate may apply for admission to either or both of these examinations but only one application need be submitted. Candidates will be required to pay the prescribed fees, viz., Rs. 5 with application and Rs. 75 on admission, separately, for each examination. Candidates must be British subjects or subjects of Indian States in respect of whom a declaration under section 262 (2) of the Government of India Act, 1935, has been made by the Governor of Sind. Other things being equal, preference will be given to persons domiciled in Sind for the posts in Class I service. Only those domiciled in Sind will be eligible for the Class II posts. Persons already in service in the Public Works Department under the administrative control of the Government of Sind if permitted by the Heads of their Departments are eligible to compete for Class I but only Overseers in the Sind Public Works Department are eligible to compete for Class II. *Qualifications.*—A recognised degree or diploma in Engineering of any Indian or foreign university or institution. *Age.*—A candidate must be above 21 and not more than 25 years of age on the 1st of August, immediately preceding the date of the examination, provided that (a) in the case of Muslims the maximum age limit shall be 28, and (b) in the case of candidates possessing a British degree the maximum age limit shall be 27 in the case of non-Muslims and 30 in the case of Muslims, and (c) the maximum age limits for candidates already in the Sind Government Service shall be 35 years for Class I and 30 years for Class II. *Scale of pay.—Class I Service*—Rs. 200 per mensem for two years on probation and thereafter Rs. 235-15-400-20-500 as Assistant Executive Engineers. *Class II Service.*—Rs. 100 per mensem as Apprentice for one year, Rs. 1[illegible] per mensem for one year as Probationer and thereafter Rs. 170-10-250-E.B.-265-15-400-E.B.-420-20-500.

Full particulars regarding the rules and regulations for the examinations and other conditions can be obtained from the Secretary to the Commission, Public Works Department Secretariat, Bombay. Last date for receipt of applications is *15th March 1941.* Forms can be obtained from the undersigned on receipt of applications accompanied by an envelope (size at least 4½" x10") bearing a postage stamp of three annas and nine pies and on payment of rupee one for each form (either in cash in the office of the Commission or by a *crossed* Indian Postal Order in favour of "the Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission"). 4250

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. KESHAVLAL VALLABHJI SHAH has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Khoti land, situate at Ville Parle, Ghodbunder Road, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra containing by admeasurement 6945 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Survey Nos. 106, and 161 Hissa No. 1 and bounded, on the East by the property belonging to Dhula Gulabji and others being Survey No. 161 Hissa Nos. 5, 6, 9, 8, 10 and 18, on the West by Ghodbunder Road, on the North by the property belonging to Jamsedji Hiraji being Survey No. 106, Hissa Nos. 30 and 31 and on the South by the property belonging to Shantilal Mathuradas Parekh being Survey No. 161 Hissa No. 4.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1941.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (4283)

Public Notices

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA,
Central Office,
BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Director of Research in the Agricultural Credit Department of the Reserve Bank of India on the scale of Rs. 500-35-850 (Efficiency Bar) Rs. 900-75-1,200|- plus house allowance at the rate prescribed in the Bank's Staff Regulations. The starting salary will be Rs. 500|- per mensem, but a candidate with special qualifications or experience may be given a higher starting salary in the scale. The successful candidate will be required to accept the Bank's Staff Regulations and to contribute to the Bank's Provident Fund. He will be on probation for a period of one year during which his services will be liable to termination at one month's notice, or one month's pay in lieu thereof. Before appointment the candidate will be required to undergo a medical examination by the Bank's Medical Officer, and to be passed fit for service in the Bank.

2. Candidates must not be over 35 years of age and must be of Indian domicile. They must be graduates of a recognised University in India or in Great Britain with economics as a special subject and must have first class educational qualifications. They must also have training in research in economics and practical experience of economic enquiries, including those relating to agricultural credit.

3. Applications must give full particulars of age, educational qualifications, practical experience and family connections and must be accompanied by copies of testimonials and the names of two gentlemen of standing to whom references regarding the candidate's character and integrity may be made. Applications must be addressed to the Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Bombay, and must reach him not later than 1st March, 1941.

4. Selected candidates will be requested to present themselves for interview at the Bank's Office at Bombay or at Calcutta at their own expense.

5. The Bank does not undertake to acknowledge the receipt of applications and will not enter into correspondence regarding them. (4272)

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. ANANTRAO GANPATRAO VASOODEV and Bai PUTLABAI, widow of Ganpatrao Parsharam Vasoodev, Trustees of an Indenture of Trust, dated 17th November, 1920, have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim, and the same, if any shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage tenements or dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Bhai Jiwanji Lane, Girgaum Road (Thakurdwar) in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 241 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 45, New Nos. 304, Old Survey No. 111, New Survey No. 1|8112 and Cadastral Survey No. 2142 Bhuleshwar Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 4039 and Street No. 16 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Mahadev Harischandra Chiplunkar, on or towards the West by the property of Gajanan Narsinha Patil, on or towards the North by the property of Devkaram Nanji and on or towards the South by the said Bhai Jiwanji Lane.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1941.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (4269)

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Public Notices

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for vacancies in the Royal Indian Navy for ENGINE ROOM ARTIFICERS.

ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS: Age: 20—24.

MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENTS: Pre-Matriculation. Must be able to read and write English and speak Hindustani.

PRACTICAL OR TECHNICAL: EITHER (a) Must have served an apprenticeship of at least 4 years' duration in an Engineering Firm of repute and attended instructional classes in Mechanical Engineering subjects, OR (b) must be in possession of a Degree or Diploma in Mechanical Engineering of a University or recognised Technical College.

PAY:

Rs. 50—130 per mensem with free non-vegetarian food, clothing and accommodation.

Apply in writing, stating age, educational and technical qualifications and practical experience, with copies of certificates ONLY and references to:—

The Officer-in-Charge,
Mechanical Training Establishment,
R. I. N. Depot, Bombay.

CLOSING DATE:—28th February.

NOTE:—Envelopes containing applications should be clearly marked "E. R. A."

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Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

INSOLVENCY No. 24 OF 1941.

Re: Messrs. SHIVRAMDAS GANGAPRASAD, a firm carrying on business at Marwari Bazar outside the Fort of Bombay: .... Debtors.

Ex parte: CURRIMBHOY & CO. LTD. (in voluntary liquidation) by its Liquidators John Hewat Hardie, Bernard James Whitby, Gordon Murray Bathgate and Fredrick Arthur Cole: .. Petitioning Creditors.

On the 4th day of February, 1941, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtors Insolvents.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1941.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar.

(4293)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that Mr. RANVIHARI KUNJVIHARI TALPADE of Ville-parle has contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim whatsoever against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at 110, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land together with building standing thereon being Plot No. 185B situate, lying and being at Lady Jamshedji Road, in the city and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, containing on actual admeasurement one hundred and eighty decimal fourteen square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1485 part Cadastral Survey No. 2|1899 of Mahim Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "G" Ward No. 4880 (4B), Street No. 208 CCC and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by Lady Jamshedji Road, on or towards the West by Municipal Plot No. 185D bearing C. S. No. 4|1899 of Mahim Division on or towards the North by Municipal Plot No. 184 bearing C. S. No. 1898 of Mahim Division and on or towards the South by Municipal Plot No. 185A bearing C. S. No. 1|1899 of Mahim Division.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1941.

Messrs. BENJAMIN CHHATRAPATI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 814 of 1937.

COOVERJI NOWROJI MEHTA & Anr. ..... Plaintiffs.

vs

MOSES BENJAMIN & Anr. .. .. Defendants.

PURSUANT TO DECREE Absolute for Sale, dated 20th July, 1939, and Judge's Order, dated 30th August, 1940, the following immovable properties will be sold in one lot by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on WEDNESDAY, 26th February, 1941, at 4 P.M. (S.T.).

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTIES

FIRST:—All that piece of land, situate at Lonavla Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring 34 Gunthas or thereabouts bearing Survey No. 104 A.

SECONDLY:—All that piece of land with the buildings and structures standing thereon, situate at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring One Acre and Nine Gunthas bearing Revision Survey No. 103 E.

THIRDLY:—All that piece of land at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring Three Acres and Twelve Gunthas and bearing Revision Survey No. 103 D.

FOURTHLY:—All those two pieces of land at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, together with a well therein admeasuring Twenty-Three Gunthas and bearing Survey Nos. 122|3 and 121|2.

FIFTHLY:—All that piece of land, situate at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring Two Acres and Five Gunthas and forming part of Revision Survey Nos. 103 and 104 and used for purposes of Road.

SIXTHLY:—All that piece of land together with bungalow and outhouses standing thereon, situate at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring Eight Gunthas bearing part of Revision Survey No. 104 B.

SEVENTHLY:—All that piece of land, situate at Lonavla, Taluka Mawal, District Poona, admeasuring One Acre and Twenty-Four Gunthas and bearing Revision Survey No. 103 F.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. SOMJEE & CO., Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at Cama Building, Bell Lane, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 11th day of December, 1940.

ARMOND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.

(4284)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 583 of 1938.

Messrs. KALURAM BRIJMOHAN, a firm .. Plaintiffs.

vs.

DWARKAPRASAD, son of Kedarmal and others. ....

..... Defendants.

PURSUANT TO DECREE Absolute for Sale, dated 15th June, 1939, and Judge's Order, dated 15th April, 1940 and Judge's Order, dated 25th November, 1940, the following immovable properties, situate in Moholla Katra Ratanpura Chapra, District Saran, will be sold by Public Auction in one lot by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on WEDNESDAY, 26th February, 1941, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.).

FIRSTLY:—One two storied Pucca House with Garden No. 122, Ward No. 19, Circle No. 3, Area about four Cuttah.

SECONDLY:—One two storied Pucca House with Garden No. 157, Ward No. 18 Circle No. 3, Area about three Cuttah.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. MADHAVPRASAD & CO., Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at Yusuf Building, 4th Floor, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1941.

ARMOND F. SEQUEIRA,
Offg. Commissioner.
MADHAVPRASAD & CO.,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

(4263)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client Mr. HATIM SALEBHOY BASRAI has this day purchased the Reliance Textile Mills, situated at Atlas Mill Compound Harvey Road, Mazagaon Bombay, as a going concern from Mrs Sadayo K. Fukumoto, widow and administratrix of the estate of K Fukumoto. Our client will hereafter carry on the said business under the same name and style of Reliance Textile Mills. Our client is not responsible for debts and liabilities of the said Reliance Textile Mills.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1941.

AMUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Attorneys-at-Law.
(4295)

Auction Sales

VORA & CO.

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at Rustom Court, Near Worli Post Office, behind Caltex Petrol Pump, of Complete Bungalow furniture, Godrej & Boyce Safe, Rajvanshi Zula with E. Lights, Wrist Watches, Singer Machine, Remington Portable Typewriter, Marble Fountain, H.M.V. Gramophone, Bronze Figures, Remington Typewriter, Hall Carpets, Chesterfield sets, Wardrobes, Sliding Dining table, Chairs, Side board, Show cases, Harmonium, Bed with box Mattress, Cheval dressing table, Old Curios Ornaments, Glass & Crockery ware, etc. Property of an European Gentleman, V. Millar Esquire and Others On View.

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF S. P. SHED LOOSE MATERIALS, ETC.

Under instructions from the Bombay Municipality (Impts) Messrs. MENESSE & CO. will sell by public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 12th February, 1941, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) at Bellasis Road Chawls near D. Ward Office the removal of following Loose Materials:—

C. I. Sheets; Storage & Flushing Tanks; Frames and shutters; Rafters & Teak Wood Scantlings etc.

MENESSE & CO.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF "TERRA PLANE" MOTOR CAR.

Under instructions from The Court Receiver H. E. Suit No. 1900 of 1940 (Habibabai v|s Sugrabegum) Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by public auction on MONDAY, the 10th February, 1941, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) in the Fredrick's garage at Mantri Building, Sandhurst Bridge.

1 "Terra Plane" Sedan Motor Car, 5 Seater, 6 Cyl, No. B. M. W. 5440 (T 1131).

On view.

BENNETT & CO.

THE UNION BANK OF INDIA, LTD.

Established in Bombay, 1919.

CAPITAL PAID UP Rs. 39,90,000
RESERVE FUND Rs. 10,00,000
Dividend Equalisation Fund Rs. 60,000
DEPOSITS on 31-12-40 Rs. 1,96,72,000

Head Office: APOLLO STREET, Fort, BOMBAY.

Branches:—Kalbadevi Road, Cotton Exchange Building, Bombay; Katha Bazar Mandvi, Bombay: Rajkot Civil Station.

Current Deposit Accounts opened and Interest allowed at 3|4 per cent. per annum on daily balances upto Rupees TWO LAKHS.

Fixed Deposits for long and short periods received on favourable terms.

SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS—interest allowed up to Rs. 10,000 at 1 1|2 per cent. per annum on minimum monthly balances. Withdrawals allowed twice a week. Operations by cheques allowed.

Advances made on approved securities.

All kinds of Banking business transacted.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT. Cotton Exchange Building, Kalbadevi Road. Rents very moderate.

Buy DEFENCE LOANS and Protect Yourself.

Full Particulars on Application.
B. M. BHARGAVA,
Secretary.

On The Air

SATURDAY, FEB. 8.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Dhani Raam. 5-15 Husn Lal. 5-30 Lachhi Ram. 5-45 Kamleshwaribai. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Gordhan Das. 6-30 Raftar-i-Zamana. 6-45 For villagers only. 7-45 B. S. Rawat. 8 Terhi Lakeer. 8-30 Husn Lal. 8-40 Kamleshwaribai. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Lakshman Prasad. 10-5 Husn Lal. 10-15 Kamleshwaribai. 10-25 Geet and ghazal. 10-45 News in English.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 a.m. Musical prelude. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati, 8-25 Yoga on the air. 8-32 Indian music. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-50 As in Delhi 2. 9-50 A. R. P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

11-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Indian music. 7 to 7-30 As in Delhi 2. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 9 As in Delhi 2. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

5 p.m. Basanti Das Gupta. 5-15 A feature. 5-30 Parul Halder. 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Mastan Gama. 6 News in English. 6-5 Gopi Nath Bhattacharya. 6-20 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Sudhangsu Bhattacharya. 7-20 Dilip Kumar Ghose. 7-40 News in Hindustani. 8 Eso-Ma 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 The Actor. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 Dance music.

Hyderabad Programme

7-30 to 7-45 For children, Indian States (Series No. 2) Hyderabad—A talk. Story. 7-45 Tragic drama by Mr. B. Husain. 8 News in Urdu. 8-20 News in English.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Feb. 6.

On the Stock Exchange hesitant conditions prevailed at the outset and some marking down of prices occurred, but in the absence of any selling pressure the markets closed steadier. Industrials, especially Tobaccos, were dominated by fears of taxation. Oils occasionally were a shade off. Kaffirs closed steady. Among foreign bonds Japanese further hardened; Brazilian and Belgian issues also improved. Wall-Street was firm.

BANK OF ENGLAND WEEKLY RETURNS

London, Feb. 7.

	This week £
Total Bullion	1,300,000
Public deposits	13,800,000
(a) Other deposits	152,500,000
Government securities	141,200,000
(b) Other securities	23,800,000
Notes and Coin	30,200,000
Notes in circulation	601,100,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities 17.15 per cent.	
(a) Other deposits include bankers	110,800,000
(b) Other securities include discounts	3,300,000
Total deposits	176,300,000
Total securities	164,000,000

LINSEED & WHEAT.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

Linseed May	4 13 6
Wheat May	3 14 0

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES.

Bombay: Feb. 6.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing at 5 p.m.
Broach A/M	191	187 3/4	187 3/4
Broach J/A	194	191 1/2	191 1/2
Oomra March	154 1/2	151 3/4	151 3/4
Oomra May	156 1/2	154	154
Oomra July	159	156 1/2	156 1/2
Bengal March	127 1/2	124 3/4	124 3/4
Bengal May	128 1/2	126 1/4	126 1/4

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: Feb. 6.

T T London on New York 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2, Madrid (official) 40.50, Montreal 4.43/4.47, Berne 17.30/17.40, Stockholm 16.85/16.95.

LONDON RUBBER

London: Feb. 6.

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. 12-7/16 buyers.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6-0	22-0
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	12-30	17-40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19-30	08-05
Allahabad Express	20-25	07-00
Poona Fast Passenger	21-45	13-10

B. B. and C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-05
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Gujarat Mail	6-45	22-00
Kathiawar Mail	7-25	21-30
Frontier Mail	8-15	21-15
	(Mon.)	(Sat.)
The Flying Rannee, Bulsar	*9-15	15-35
The Flying Rannee, Surat	*9-48	15-10
The Flying Rannee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	00-00
The Flying Rannee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00-00	18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	22-30
Kathiawar Express	19-05	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-48	9-00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: Feb. 7.

Following a rise of 5 points in New York cotton futures the local market was expected to open at Rs. 188/8 for Broach A/M delivery, but the market opened at Rs. 187/12 and declined to Rs. 186/8 on professional selling. Later on there was scattered buying and prices rallied to Rs. 187. Business was restricted.

There was increased tired liquidation and Broach declined to Rs. 186/4 for Broach A/M delivery. Liverpool opened at a rise of 2 pts and prices in the local market rallied to Rs. 186/12. Prices after declining to Rs. 186/4 advanced to Rs. 187/8 on short covering but again eased off on increased selling. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under :—

F G M G Broach April/May .....Rs. 186/4
F G M G Broach July/August .....Rs. 190/4
Fine M G Oomra March .....Rs. 150/8
Fine M G Oomra May .....Rs. 152/8
Fine M G Oomra July .....Rs. 154/12
F G M G Bengal March .....Rs. 124/0
F G M G Bengal May .....Rs. 123/8

COTTON ROOM RATES.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

	Extra Spr-fine.	Sup.	Fine.	F.G.	Good
M G Bengal U P	133	131	128	126	
M G Punjab	133	131	128	126	
M G Rajputana	139	137	134	132	
M G Oomra No. 3	159	156	153	150	...
M G C. P. No. 1	178	175	172	169	...
M G C. P. No. 2	166	163	160	157	...

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

Approx. quotations. Ready.	Delry contract
Bengal Fine	124/27
Berar	146/53
C. P. 1	173
C. P. 2	156/63
Khandesh	126/33
Muglai	137/39

	Feb.	March
Punjab S G 289F	316/26	-10 +7
Punjab R G 289F	286/296	
Punjab R G 4F	221/31	

SHARE BAZAR CLOSED

Bombay: Feb. 7.

The local Share Bazar remained closed today being a Mahomedan holiday.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

Bombay: Feb. 7.

The market remained closed to-day owing to "Moharrum."

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	Since 1st Septr. This year.	Last year
Khandesh	1,722	64,237	47,824
Central India	1,730	65,486	57,733
Barsi and Nagar		62,772	94,537
Hyderabad/Gaorani		20,838	38,983
Berar	2,752	212,732	219,127
Central Provinces	926	37,323	53,178
Total Oomras	7,130	463,388	519,482
Dhoferas	1,336	30,682	30,536
N.-W. Provinces		806	21,701
Rajputana	51	2,704	23,008
Sind-Punjab	10,105	271,937	268,919
Broach	828	14,154	34,712
Coompta & Dharwar		28,396	14,530
Westerns-Northerns	52	29,392	16,114
Cocoanada		239	50
Tinnevelly & Cambodia		822	1,309
Total	19,502	842,120	922,361
Arrived by road to 30th Jan. 1941		122,250	118,248

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

F. P. Bales.	1940/41	1939/40
Receipts to date 6-2-41	2735000	5948000
Receipts yesterday 6-2-41	9000	25000
Export to date 6-2-41	691000	4421000
Stock at ports 31-1-41	3471000	3088000
Stock at interior towns do.	3259000	3001000
Stock at Liverpool 31-1-41		
Visible Supply 31-1-41		
Quantity in sight do	8195000	10685000
Quantity out of sight 31-1-41		

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool: Feb. 6.

	UPPERS.	GIZA NO. 2
Spot	11.11+7	12.04+5
March	10.40+4	11.04+4
May	10.43+4	11.04+5
July	10.48+6	11.03+5
November	10.43+6	11.05+5

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 401 penny points at 1/6

Broach J/A below Liverpool July 392 penny points at 1/6

Broach A/M below New York May 308 cent points at 331

Broach J/A below New York July 283 cent points at 331.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, Feb 7

4365 bags copra; 694 bags empty glass bottles; 172 bags sardines; 318 bags sugar; 482 bags raisins; 43 bags dry fish; 1625 cts tiles; 543 cts plycheet wood; 30 cases dental articles; 672 cases cotton yarn; 35 cases chain fasteners; 721 cases glassware; 156 cases tarter ematic powder; 370 cases porcelainware; 33 cases cell bangles; 110 cases rayon goods; 50 cases glass bangles; 30 cases borneol; 162 cases galvd wire netting; 54 cases enamelledware; 71 cases bicycle parts; 30 cases metal leaf; 58 cases bobbins; 296 cases cotton goods; 400 cases napthaline balls; 682 cases rayon pcegoods; 1816 cases cotton pcegoods; 2971 cases rayon yarn; 65 cases cigarette paper; 150 cases indigo; 280 cases chrome alum; 1020 cases chlorate of potash; 123 cases wire netting; 194 cases brasswire; 236 cases elect goods; 121 cases glass lamp shade; 183 cases metalware; 113 cases elect bulbs; 71 cases staple fibre pcegoods; 89 cases lead pipe; 55 cases rubber canvas belting; 40 cases empty tin cans; 125 cases refined camphor; 75 cases weaving machy and parts; 187 cases ctn and rayon mixed pcegoods; 40 cases playing cards; 40 bundles salted fish; 43 bundles attari; 50 kegs oxalic acid; 1960 drums dyestuffs; 33 h/chests tea; 400 pcs teak scantling; 79 tins date juice; 128 cts pomegranates; 347 pkgs dry fruits; 35 casks sheep skins; 30 pcs crucible pots; 36 pkgs brass rods; 47 bales felt hat bodies; 50 bales wool; 40 bales glassine paper; 118 bales printing paper; 50 bales wrapping paper; 1128 bales staple fibre yarn; 2733 bales coton; 5704 bundles wet dates; 3343 bags dry dates.

EXPORTS

200 bales raw cotton Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd; 610 bales raw cotton N Nagsee and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Lalji Ramji and Co; 020 bales raw cotton G Dossa and Co; 334 bags gr nut kernals Habib Rawji and Co; 16922 bags linseed Louis Dreyfus and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Madhavdas Amersey and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Cotton Export and Import Ltd; 500 bales raw cotton Gordhandas and Co; 300 bales raw cotton Khimji Vishram and Sons; 30 bales cotton g m twist Virchand Panachand and Co; 13 bales cotton pcegoods Tulsidas Khimji; 15 bales cotton pcegoods G N Musry; 20 cases cotton pcegoods Italinda Cotton Co. Ltd; 8283 bags linseed B Pahiadrai; 570 bs cotton raw Konishi and Co Ltd; 300 bales cotton raw N Fatehally and Co; 200 bales coton raw Khimji Poonja and Co; 100 bales cotton raw The Universal Cotton Trading Co; 100 bales cotton raw J M Dave and Co; 388 bales cotton raw Podar Trading Co Ltd; 2800 bales cotton raw G K Kaisha Ltd; 200 bales cotton raw Raghavji Kanji and Co; 1186 bags linseeds M Bhuta and Co; 1280 bags gr nut oil cake expeller M Bhuta and Co; 1143 bags linseed bold S M Rajgor and Co; 100 bags cummin seed S M Rajgor and Co; 700 bales raw cotton Arjan Khimji and Co; 3250 bags gr nut oil cake expeller The Hindustan Vanaspati Mfg Co Ltd; 500 bales raw cotton Anderson, Clayton and Co; 1400 bags gr nct oil cake expeller F H Kassam; 1280 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Ahmed Oomerbhoy; 100 bales raw cotton C Jethabhai and Co; 1273 bags gr nct oil cake expeller The Swastik Oil Mills Ltd; 2370 bags linseed Indian Produce Co Ltd; 5925 bags linseeds The Oilseeds Trading Co Ltd; 593 bags linseeds R Ratilal and Co; 1186 bags linseeds Raja Oil Mills; 16419 bags linseeds Ralli Bros Ltd; 2334 bags linseeds Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd.

Trade Covering On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

QUIETER TONE ON UNCERTAINTIES OVER FARM LEGISLATION

Commission House Liquidation And Hedging

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

On Thursday the New York cotton market was steady on trade and local buying but the tone was quiet owing to uncertainties over farm Legislation.

The New York cotton market opened steady on Thursday. There was spot house buying of July and trade covering. This buying absorbed spot house long liquidation and moderate Southern selling. The tone of the market was very steady with nears in demand. The market in the later part of the session was very dull owing to quieter conditions in cotton goods and uncertainties over Farm Legislation. The Chicago grains market was firm on short covering but later reacted on realising on the threat of increased country selling on advance. Majority of issues were fractionally higher on the Wall-Street Exchange. War news was more cheerful.

NEW YORK PRICES

At the opening March was quoted 6 pts up at 10.36 and declined one pt. from the opening level at 10.35, which was the lowest. Prices advanced to 10.39 which proved to be the top for the day and the market closed at a net rise of 2 to 5 pts. Spot cotton prices advanced 5 pts at 10.91c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also steady and closed at a rise of 2 to 6 pts. Spot cotton prices gained 4 pts at 10.17c per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of one point with March 8.29. There was trade buying which met outside hedging. Later on trade buying diminished with hedging against Indian cotton. The market closed unchanged to one pt. down. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 4 pts at 8.60d per lb.

Egyptians were steady. Uppers futures closed 4 to 6 pts higher while Giza futures were 4 to 5 pts up.

AUSTRALIAN COTTON

The Cotton Trade Journal writes :—

"Washington.—The basic rate of bounty payments to Australian cotton growers, raised by an Act of Parliament approved on August 22, 1940, to 4.75 pence, Australian currency (6.4 cents) per pound for 1941, with provides for a progressive decline to 3.5 pence (4.7 cents) in 1945, according to a report from American Consul Wilson C. Flake at Sydney. This rate is based on a spot price of 6 pence, British currency (10.0 cents) per pound for American middling 7/8 inch at Liverpool and will change conversely with rises or falls of prices on that market. A basic rate of 4.25 pence was in effect from 1937 through 1940 and at average rates of exchange for the respective years was equivalent to 7.0 cents, 6.9 cents, 6.2 cents and 5.7 cents per pound.

BOUNTY PAYMENTS

The total sum authorised for payments during the next 5 years is limited to £150,000 (Dol.484,000) annually. This amount however would cover a production of about 25,000 bales of cotton, or more than double the crops of recent years. The maximum rate of payment is set at 5.5 pence (7.4 cents) and provision was also made for the deductions equal to any import duty that may be imposed on raw cotton in the future.

It is expected that, as a result of the increased bounty and war-time demand for cotton materials, the area planted for the 1941 harvest may have reached 80,000 acres compared with 38,000 for 1939/40 and an average area of 50,000 to 60,000 acres in recent years. The reduced acreage in 1939/40 was attributed mainly to a proposed reduction in the bounty payments for that year and the delayed action by Parliament in voting the payments until the planting season was nearly past. Production in 1939/40 is also reported to have declined to about 8,000 bales against 13,000 for 1938/39. The Government of Queensland (the only Province in which cotton is grown on a commercial scale) is pledged to expand irrigation facilities for cotton growing, and some progress has already been made.

INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION

Under the stimulus of Government orders for war material, consumption of raw cotton in Australia during the year ending June 30, 1941, is expected to total about 65,000 bales compared with a more normal figure of 35,000 bales. The bulk of raw cotton import requirements is usually obtained from the United States and India. Any increase in the Australian crop next year will reflect mainly in lower imports of American cotton, since Australian cotton is similar in character and type to that imported from the United States."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York highest 10.39+08 (2-37 p.m.); lowest 10.35+04 (10-42 a.m.)

Liverpool March highest 8.32+02; lowest 8.29—01.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York.—Market steady on trade and local buying.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 6.

March	10.36+05
May	10.34+02
July	10.24+03
October	9.74+02
December	9.71+03
January	9.67+03
Middling Spot	10.91+05

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans: Feb. 6.

March	10.42+06
May	10.40+03
July	10.28+02
October	9.80+05
December	9.76+02
January	9.72+05
Middling Spot	10.17+06

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 6.

	11 a.m. Ranges.	Noon Call
March	10.36	10.37
May	10.36	10.35
July	10.35	10.34

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York: Feb. 6.

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	9,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	Nil.
Day's exports to the Continent	Nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan	Nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool: Feb. 6.

March	8.30
May	8.33
July	8.33—01
October	8.23—01
December	8.21—03
Middling Spot	8.50+04

11 a.m. QUOTATIONS

March	8 29

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay: Feb. 7.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8/8/0, Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02½ to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/2 at New York.

London spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23 5/16d. There was trifle selling against production and moderate speculation. The market was quietly steady. New York spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. Shanghai T T on London was 8 3/16, London Bombay spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 65/5/6. The local market was officially open but no business was reported.

LONDON SILVER

London: Feb. 6.

Spot	23 5/16
Forward	23 5/16

LONDON GOLD

London: Feb. 6.

Gold Bars Fine Per Oz.	£8/8/0

GROUNDNUTS & SEEDS

Bombay: Feb. 7.

	Rs.as.ps.
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	31 10 0
Highest	31 14 0
Lowest	31 8 0
Closing	31 12 0
Groundnuts February—	
Opening	25 13 6
Highest	25 15 0
Lowest	25 13 0
Closing	25 14 6
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	18 15 6
Highest	19 0 6
Lowest	18 13 9
Closing	18 14 3
Groundnuts May—	
Opening	26 12 6
Highest	26 14 6
Lowest	26 10 9
Closing	26 13 3

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay: Feb. 7.

Wheat May	0 5 0
Linseed May	0 7 0
Groundnut Febrcary	2 2 0
Castorseed May	2 4 0
Cottonseed May	1 4 0
Silver 1st Settlement	0 5 0
Silver 2nd Settlement	1 0 0
Gold 1st Settlement	0 2 0
Gold 2nd Settlement	0 5 0

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: Feb. 7.

LONDON :—

B. C. RATES :—

T T D D 1/8 15/16 to 6th August
Bank's selling T T D D 1/8 31/32 to 6th Aug.
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 6th August
Bank's buying D D 1/6 5/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month
Bank's buying 6 months 1/6 1/4 two months

NEW YORK :—

Bank's selling T T 532 3/4
Bank's buying T T 329 5/4
Bank's buying D D 328

JAPAN :—

Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal.
Bank's buying T T 77 nominal
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal

JAVA :—

Bank's selling D D 65 3/4

HONGKONG :—

Bank's selling D D 85 1/4

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 20 3/4

SINGAPORE :—

Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

CROSS RATES :—

Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 7th inst.
Shanghai/London 0/3 1/2 7th inst.
New York/London 4.03 1/4 6th inst.
London/Java 7.58/62 6th inst.
London/New York 4.02 1/2-3 1/2 6th inst.
London/Switzerland 17.30/40 6th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.85/95 6th inst.
London/Japan 1/2 1/2 6th inst.
London/Canada 4.43/4.47 6th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Quiet near. Steady forward.
Gold £8/8/0 6th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 5/16 6th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 5/16 6th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 6th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 6th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 6th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money :—Call uniendable.
3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone : Very easy.

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay: Feb. 7.

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd. :—

	Rs.as.ps.
Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	75 0 0
Pepper Maha Sud per candy	76 0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy	78 8 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy	81 0 0
Ginger bleached per cwt	15 0 0
Ginger Maha Sud 15 per cwt	13 12 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15 per cwt	13 12 0

PRECIOUS METALS

Bombay: Feb. 7.

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals :—

	Per cent.	Per tola
Platinum Elephant Brand	100	Rs. 70
Platinum Elephant Brand	97	Rs. 69
Platinum Anchor Brand	25	Rs. 20
Palladium	100	Rs. 50
Iridium	100	Rs. 200
Osmium	100	Rs. 70
Ruthenium	100	Rs. 90

NEW YORK COTTON TWO POINTS DOWN

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES
MARCH 1941
New York, Feb 7

Previous closing	10.36
To-day's opening	10.34
Difference	—02
To-day's closing	10.34
Difference	—02

BROACH EXPECTATION

April/May	Rs. 186-4
July/August	Rs. 190-4

LIVERPOOL COTTON
MARCH 1941
Liverpool, Feb 7

Previous closing	8.30
To-day's opening	8.32
Difference	+02
To-day's closing	8.26
Difference	—04

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Feb 7

Trading in New York was somewhat quieter with easier overseas cables restraining operations. March opened at 10.34 i.e. two points lower. The market eased under increased offerings and March liquidation with movements being restricted.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton :—
March (10.36/36) 10.34/34
May (10.37/37) 10.33/33
July (10.27/26) 10.21/20

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market :—
American March (8.32) 8.29
American May (8.34) 8.32
Egyptian Giza March (11.04) 11.04
Egyptian Giza May (11.04) 11.03

LONDON COMMODITIES
London, Feb 7

Castorseeds January February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta February March (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16 quoted
Linseed La Plata March (£11 1/2 quoted) £11 3/8 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal February March (£17 1/4 quoted £17 1/4 quoted

JUTES
Dudee (£45) £45
Lightning (£40) £40

RUBBER
Spot (12 1/2d paid and value) 12 1/2d paid and value
Forward January March (12 1/2d valve) 12 7/16d paid and buyers

LONDON METALS
Tin (£256 1/2 buyers; £257 sellers. Steady) £256 1/4 buyers; £256 1/2 sellers. Quiet.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

SUGAR MARKET STEADY

Sales To Afghanistan

Bombay: Feb. 5.

JAVA SUGAR

The local market for Java sugar has contained to remain totally uninteresting all throughout the past week and quotations are nominal as there are no stocks either in local market or in Bond and fresh arrivals from Java are not expected for some time owing to delay in shipments. In absence of Java sugar, small business was reported for Mozambique ex-Bond delivery for Out Ports. There were enquiries for fair quantities of Java sugar for Persian Gulf and some other Ports either for Bond or for near arrivals even at a premium over current rates but sellers were not prepared to consider business owing to great uncertainty of arrivals. In forward some business was reported for Cutch and Kathiawar Ports per 1st steamer from Java, but there was no interest in later shipments owing to risk of increase in freight and delays in shipments. Undertone of the market was quiet at the close.

INDIAN SUGARS

During the earlier part of the week, market for ready Indian sugars continued to remain very steady chiefly due to small stocks, restricted arrivals and reported sales of Indian sugars for Afghanistan and prices were higher by 2 to 3 annas alround. During the latter part of the week, however, there has been small decline in prices owing to heavy arrivals and some pressure of sales by weak holders who have been obliged to make sales even at some concession in prices. Owing to weakness in ready, a slight reaction has also set in in forward deliveries and prices in certain cases declined by 1 to 2 annas per cwt. as compared with the Syndicate selling limits. The undertone, however, seems to be fairly steady as there is no possibility of any reduction in the Syndicate limits and the prominent dealers prefer to stock their purchases in anticipation of increase in Excise Duty in the next Government of India Budget, which will be out by the end of the current month. There was some activity in the local market in the Gola Group on Exchange terms and as a result, good business has taken place both for April and July almost at the same prices. At the close prices were slightly lower on account of weakness in ready and absence of further buying interest but undertone was steady.

FOREIGN MARKETS

On the New York Terminal market there was an alround decline of 3 pts. Java market was reported steady with the "Nivas" limits unchanged. It was reported that business was greatly handicapped on account of scarcity of freight and other difficulties.

CALCUTTA & KARACHI

There was no interest in Java sugar in Calcutta. In Karachi, business was chiefly confined to sales for Out Ports for ready deliveries. As regards Indian sugars Calcutta market was reported very steady owing to good enquiries from consuming centres. Business was reported in superior grades even at a good premium over Syndicate limits. In Karachi market was reported steady and some business was done at the Syndicate limits. Tone was steady.

Statistical position of Java sugar in Java on 31st Dec. 1940 was reported as follows :—

Stocks per 1st April 1940	243000 tons
Production 1940	1606000 tons
	1200000 tons
Less Exports April/Dec.	648000 tons
Less consumption April/Dec	275000 tons
Stocks per 31st Dec. 1940	925000 tons

GENERAL

Local markets for ready Java was likely to remain unchanged as there are no stocks and arrivals are not expected for some time. As regards forward positions there is no possibility of business in imports in view of the present conditions of Indian sugars except for occasional demand from Cutch and Kathiawar Ports.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London: Feb. 6.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£68
Indian Stocks—	£
3 per cent 1948	82 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	95 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	109 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	77 3/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	104 3/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	103 1/2
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	113 5/8
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	110 5/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	8 3/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, London register	81
National Bank of India	31 3/4

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Feb 7

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To-day's opening	4.03

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Feb 7

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London, Feb 7
T. T. London on Paris not quoted.

LONDON SILVER CABLE
London, Feb 7
The following cable was received from London :—
Market quiet but steady.

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb 7

Spot (23 5/16d)	23 1/4d —1/16
Forward (23 5/16d)	23 1/4d —1/16

LONDON GOLD
London, Feb 7
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, Feb 7
London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02 50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate

CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 3/16 to 0-3 1/2) 0-3 3/16 to 0-3 1/2
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1 2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2

DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay, Feb 7
There was no trading during the night session.

BOMBAY YARN EXCHANGE

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES
Bombay, Feb 7

Yarn No. 6 1/2s	February 124	April	125
June 125			
Yarn No. 10 1/2s	February 147	April	148
June 149			
Yarn No. 20 1/2s	February 191	April	192
1/2 June 194 1/2			
Yarn No. 40s	February 268	April 269	June
270			

LONDON SEEDS
London: Feb. 6.
Wheat Rozario Santa Fe 20/9 Feb/March quoted.
Wheat Barletta Russo not quoted.
Wheat South Australian 26 Feb/March quoted.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 34,41,276-7-2.

For the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund: Rs. 2 The Staff of the Reserve Bank of India (monthly).

For the R.A.F.: Rs. 1,250 The Kohinoor Mills Co. Ltd., Agents: Messrs. Killick Nixon and Co. (further donation); Rs. 239-14-4 The Officers and Staff of the Indian Radio & Cable Communications Co. Ltd. at Bombay, Kirkee, Dhond and Madras (monthly); Rs. 230 The Agency and Office Staffs of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, Bombay, (monthly); Rs. 115 The Staff of Messrs. Louis Dreyfus & Co. (monthly); Rs. 64 The Bombay Office of Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds of India, Ltd. and their Staff (further donation).

For the I.A.F.: Rs. 12,000 Through the Chairman, War Gifts Fund Sub-Committee, Dhulia; Rs. 4,177-3 Through the Collector & Chairman, Ahmedabad War Gifts Fund, Ahmedabad; Rs. 1,250 The Kohinoor Mills Co. Ltd., Agents: Messrs. Killick, Nixon & Co. (further donation); Rs. 500 Messrs. Gill & Co. (monthly); Rs. 480 The Members of the Staff of the Associated Cement Companies, Ltd. (7th instalment); Rs. 402-2 The Staff of the Imperial Chemical Industries (India) Ltd. (monthly); Rs. 239-14-4 The Officers & Staff of the Indian Radio & Cable Communications Co., Ltd., at Bombay, Kirkee, Dhond & Madras (monthly); Rs. 111-1 The Indian Staff of Lloyds Bank Ltd., Hornby Road, and Princess Street Branches (monthly); Rs. 95-9-6 Through the Mamlatdar of Pen, Kolaba District; Rs. 79 The Members of the Indian Staff of the National Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay, (monthly); Rs. 75-8 The Staff of the Bombay Branch of the Commercial Union Assurance Co. Ltd. (monthly).

For the Bombay Red Cross & Amenities for Troops Fund: Rs. 1,500 Through the Chairman, Bombay Red Cross and Amenities for Troops Fund, Dhulia.

For the Indian Red Cross: Rs. 53 The Factory Staff of Messrs. Goodlass Wall (India) Ltd (monthly).

Grand total on Friday: Rs. 34,64,548-4-4.

LIGHT SHOWERS IN W. DECCAN & S. E. MADRAS

POONA: Feb. 7.

Scattered light showers occurred in West Deccan and Southeast Madras, Aurangabad, recording quarter of an inch rain.

Forecast until the evening of 8th Feb.:—Light showers will occur in the central parts of the country, East Rajputana and Kashmir. A few light showers may also occur in West United Provinces.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 7th Feb., 1941 :—
Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. +.013 inches.
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 72.6 deg.
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 66.8 deg.
Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 84.0 deg. (1.9 above normal)
Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 68.0 deg. (1.5 above normal).
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 73 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. E N E.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 5 mls. per hr.
Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 106 mls.
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hrs. 17 miles per hour.
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 6.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 7/2/1941

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 76.0 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.20 inches and a compensated aneroid 30.01 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London, Feb 7
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £95 1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Feb 7
London Stock Exchange was mainly dull.

INDIAN LOANS
London, Feb 7
3 per cent Indian Stocks (£98 3/4) £98 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks (£109 3/4) £109 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks 1958/68 (£112 1/2) £112 1/2
4 per cent Indian Stocks 1948/58 (£105 1/2) £105 1/2
5 per cent Indian Stocks 1942/47 (£104 1/4) £104 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stocks 1954/64 (£101 3/4) £101 3/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
5 per cent 1958/68 (£104 1/2) £104 1/2

BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 3/8) £77 3/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 3/8) £104 3/8
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 5/8) £113 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
New War Loan (£101 1/8) £101 1/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 5/8) £110 5/8

INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (12-0) 12-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (35-9) 35-9
Hydro Electric No dealings.
Electric Music Industry (7-9) 7-9
Princhin Johnson (19-4 1/2) 19-6
Imperial Chemicals (29-3) 29-4 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (53-9) 53-9
Sao Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£48) £46
Dundee Rubber (33-9) 33-9
Unilever Ordinary (22-6) 22-6
Ford Motors (17-7 1/2) 17-7 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£54 1/2 £53 3/4
British American Tobacco Ordinary (90-0) 91-10 1/2
Carreas 'A' (£4) £4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (95-0) 95-7 1/2
P and O Def (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Distillecrs (64-6) 63-3
Bredfords Dye (3-9) 3-9
British Celanese (3-9) 3-7 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (31-9) 32-0
Courtaulds Ordinary (31-1 1/2) 31-4 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (3-3) 3-3
Vickers Limited Ordinary (15-3) 15-3
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 37) dol 35 7/8
Indian Iron (46-3) 46-3

TEA SHARES
Assam Company (18-1 1/2) 18-1 1/2
Donaro Tea (31-3) 31-3
Empire of India (22-6) 22-6

JUTE
Barnagore (£8) £8

RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (17-0) 17-0
Gula Kelampong (15-7 1/2) 15-7 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (26-6) 26-6

MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (22-6) 22-6
Burma Corporation (7-6) 7-6
Rio Tintos (£7) £7
East Rand Properties (43-1 1/2) 43-1 1/2
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8

MINE SHARES
Crown (£12 1/8) £12 1/8
Associated Portland Cement (61-3) 61-3
Trinidad Leasehold (61-3) 61-3
Sub Nigel (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (21-10 1/2) 21-3
Union Corporation (£7 1/8) £7 1/8

OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (28-1 1/2) 27-6
Anglo India (38-9) 39-4 1/2
Burma Oil (56-3) 56-3
Mexican Eagle (7-4 1/2) 7-7 1/2
Shell Transport (44-4 1/2) 45-0
Royal Dutch No dealings

RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£36 1/4) £34 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£14 5/8) £14 3/8
London North Eastern Def (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£11 3/8) £11 1/4
London Transport 5 per cent (£118) £118
London Transport 'C' (£35) £34 1/2

PROPERTY OF NAZI ORIGIN

CALCUTTA, Feb. 6

On the complaint of Mr. S. J. E. Virgo, Deputy Custodian of Enemy Property, J. Mayr, a naturalised British subject of Mission Row, Calcutta, appeared before the Chief Presidency Magistrate to answer a charge under the Defence of India Rules in connection with the alleged possession of certain property of German origin.

It is alleged that the accused had in his possession the enemy property and failed to pay the value of the same.

Two inspectors of the Custodian of Enemy Property therefore went to the accused's place to seize the property, but the accused is alleged to have obstructed them from doing so. With the help of the Calcutta Police, some of the machinery were, however, seized and removed.

The present case is a sequel to alleged failure on the part of the accused to comply with a notice served by the complainant later.

The accused has been released on a personal recognisance bond of Rs. 200 and the hearing has been adjourned till February 17.—United Press.

Bombay War Publicity Committee

Marathi: 8 a.m. Recorded music. 8-05 News bulletin. 8-20 Recorded music. 8-25 "War News"—A talk. 8-30 Recorded music. 8-35 "War and America"—A talk.
6-30 p.m. Recorded music. 6-35 "Famine in Europe"—A talk. 6-40 Recorded music. 6-45 News bulletin. 7 Recorded music. 7-05 "Poison Gas"—A talk.
Gujarati: 11 a.m. Recorded music. 11-05 News bulletin. 11-20 Recorded music. 11-25 "Japan and India"—A talk. 11-30 Recorded music. 11-35 "British help to Greece"—A talk.
Hindustani: 6 p.m. Recorded music. 6-05 "Japan and India"—A talk. 6-10 Recorded music. 6-15 "Spain and Italian debacle in Libya"—Talk. 6-20 Recorded music. 6-25 News bulletin. 6-40 Recorded music. 6-45 "British help to Greece"—A talk. 6-50 Recorded music. 6-55 "The latest about War"—A talk.

Kathiawar Princes' Meeting

The Personal Assistant to H. H. the Jamsaheb wires:—

In the report of Kathiawar Princes' meeting appearing in the "Chronicle" of the 6th reference to reforms in States is not correct. The question of reforms was not discussed at all by the meeting

Field For Indian Goods In East African Markets

Inquiries At Office Of Trade Commissioner At Mombasa

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

The possibility of Indian manufactures of chinaware and porcelainware, cutlery, silicate of soda, sulphuric acid and drugs, medicines and medicinal preparations, capturing a significant share of the trade in these commodities in East Africa, is hinted at by the Indian Government Trade Commissioner at Mombasa in his monthly report for November, 1940, dealing with openings for Indian commodities.

A fairly large number of enquiries have been received in this office from local merchants in respect of these commodities and the enquiries have been furnished with the addresses of the principal firms in India, known to be manufacturing the articles on a commercial scale.

India can hope to capture a good share of the market previously enjoyed by Germany and Japan. A few consignments of cups and saucers have already come into the Mombasa market, but the quality is reported to be poor. There is, however, ample scope for good quality of crockery.

A few consignments of better quality of Indian cutlery have also already entered the East Africa market and it is expected that the articles will find a fairly good sale.

The demand for silicate of soda is on the increase and there are good prospects for India to capture a fair portion of the increased trade. Indian sulphuric acid also stands a chance of finding a good market.

The United Kingdom, Germany, Belgium and the United States of America have been the chief suppliers of drugs and medicines. India can hope to capture a considerable portion of the trade previously enjoyed by Germany and Belgium.—A. P.

JUTE FUTURES CONTROL

Bengal Govt. Expert Suggests Representative Federation

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

The suggestion that the jute futures market should be controlled by a new body to be known as the Indian Jute Federation and that all other associations should be declared illegal, is made by Prof. John A. Todd whose services were requisitioned last year by the Government of Bengal for drafting a scheme for properly organising futures market for jute.

Prof. Todd, who arrived in India about four months ago, has just completed his investigation and has prepared a draft scheme.

FEDERATION BOARD

The Board of the proposed Federation, Prof. Todd suggests, should be composed of representatives of the trade, Governments of the Jute-growing Provinces and the Central Government, Chambers of Commerce, Shipping, Law and Accountancy. A council will control the finances of the Federation, which will require a considerable sum for its administration and this fund is proposed to be made available from a number of sources such as imposition of a stamp duty on all contracts in addition to the existing stamp duty and collection by the Federation itself of fees on contracts. The operations of the futures exchange should be in the hands of an "ad hoc" Board of Directors, eight of whom are to be nominated and four elected by members who will be brokers and will be required to make substantial deposits with the Board either in cash or in Government securities.

BUSINESS ON 'CHANGE ONLY

All business in jute futures must be transacted in the Exchange during business hours and any other business will be void by law. Every transaction in the Exchange will be posted on the price board and price fluctuations will be limited to a daily rise and fall as fixed by the Board from time to time. No other transactions will be permitted and all other associations will be declared illegal.

Prof. Todd, will submit his scheme to the Government after he has received the opinions of the various associations amongst whom he has circulated an outline of his scheme and the Government, it is believed, will thereafter prepare the necessary legislation to give effect to it.—A. P.

MALAVIYA'S APPEAL TO BENGAL HINDUS

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

An appeal to the Hindus of Bengal to consolidate their position and to organise themselves for the protection of their rights and privileges was made by Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, presiding at a public meeting held to-day under the auspices of the Hindu Sabha to discuss matters relating to the Hindu organisation and the coming census. Mr. Madan Mohan Burman, Councillor of Calcutta Corporation, presided.

Pandit Malaviya said that there was no cause for despair for the Hindus of Bengal. He advised them to pay more attention to physical culture so that with their mental equipment, they might be able to protect their culture and civilisation from onslaught from any quarter. He urged them to bear in mind that only the strong in body could enter the domain of the spirit.—A. P.

PARSI TESTAMENTARY DISPUTE

Caveat Dismissed

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Somjee.)

The Central Bank Executor and Trustee Co., Ltd. ..... Plaintiffs
v.
Goolbai, widow of Sohrab P. C. Shroff. ..... Defendant.

One Sohrab P. C. Shroff died at 20, Devonshire Place, London, on 12th June, 1939, leaving property, both movable and immovable valued at Rs. 9,93,355. He left him surviving a widow the defendant abovenamed, three brothers Jehangir, Pirojsha and Jamshed, and four sisters Ratanbai, Aimai, Jerbai and Meherbai and some nephews and nieces of a predeceased sister. He had no issue. The deceased made a will on 23rd March, 1937, which was revoked by his last will made on 10th January, 1939 the plaintiffs abovenamed who were the Executors appointed by the last will of the deceased Sohrab applied for Probate by a petition dated 16th August, 1939. To this the defendant lodged a Caveat on 11th October, 1939.

On behalf of the defendant-caveatrix it was contended that the deceased was not in a sound and disposing state of mind at the time he made his last will, right till his death. It was further contended "The said will and codicil were obtained by the said Jerbai Pestonji Shroff, a sister of the deceased in conspiracy with her brother the said Jamshed by practising and exercising fraud, coercion and such undue influence and importunity on the deceased as took away the free agency of the deceased in making the said will." By the previous will of 23rd March 1937, the addition to what she was bequeathed by the last will the defendant got a one-third share in the residuary estate which share would come to about Rs. 3,00,000 besides declaring certain joint account securities to belong to the defendant absolutely which the last will did not do. By the final will which was now impugned the deceased gave his widow only the income of a sum of Rs. 2,00,000 during her life, some immovable properties at Bandsa valued at Rs. 18,000 and some jewellery and ornaments. The residuary estate was left to the brothers, sisters, nephews and niece of the deceased. The defendant alleged that the final will of the deceased was the result of undue influence practised upon the deceased by his said sister Jerbai who was in a position to dominate the will of the deceased.—suffering as he then was from severe diabetes, violent and constant headache and giddiness. The defendant therefore submitted that the will now propounded was null and void and that Probate thereof should not be granted by the High Court

Numerous authorities on the question of testamentary capacity were cited and reviewed and a number of witnesses were examined in Court. The actual hearing of the case lasted for well over a month.

Judgment in the case which had been reserved (C. A. V.) was delivered by His Lordship yesterday.

On the first point, His Lordship stated that he accepted as true the evidence of Mr. D. D. Romer and Mr. Pocha, the two Solicitors who had attested the last Will and Codicil and that of Mr. A. J. Doctor, the Secretary of the Plaintiffs, which proved that the testator was of a sound and disposing state of mind at the time when he made his last will. Mr. Romer had stated that the changes made in the new will from the old one were desired by the deceased on the ground that he did not wish to give the Defendant anything absolutely as he apprehended she would be deprived of it by her brothers and sisters. His Lordship stated that this reason given by the deceased showed careful thought on his 23rd March, 1937, the oddition to what he was doing. As against this evidence for the Plaintiffs His Lordship stated, "the Defendant's evidence is untrue in almost every particular", and could not be believed unless corroborated. His Lordship therefore held that the Defendant had failed to prove that the testator was not in a sound and disposing state of mind when he made the last will.

With regard to the second point of the last will having been procured by undue influence, fraud and coercion alleged to have been practised on the deceased, by Jerbai and Jamshed there was in His Lordship's opinion no evidence. Undue influence as understood in Section 61 of the Indian Succession Act cannot be presumed by the Court but must be proved by the Defendant (Wingrove vs. Wingrove).

His Lordship therefore dismissed the Caveat and ordered Probate to issue of the last Will and Codicil of the deceased. His Lordship ordered the Dewendant to pay the Plaintiffs' costs as between party and party, and further ordered that such part of the party and party costs as were unrecovered and the Plaintiffs' costs as between attorney and client to come out of the estate.

The Advocate-General Mr. M. C. Setalvad, with Mr. F. J. Coltman and Mr. M. C. Chagla instructed by Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co., appeared for the plaintiffs.

Mr. V. F. Taraporewala with Mr N. P. Engineer instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir Hormusji Dinshaw and Co, appeared for the defendant.

TRADE AND FINANCE

Little Demand For Money In Midst Of Busy Season

SHARES STEADY WITH INVESTMENT INQUIRY

Narrow Price Movement In Bullion Market

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

(From Our Special Correspondent.)
BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

MONEY

Although normally we should be in the midst of the busy season, there was singularly little demand for money. In this connection, it may be of interest to note that Member Banks' Deposits with the Reserve Bank of India at this time last year were Rs. 19.16 crores as compared with Rs. 46 crores this week. This shows the extent of unemployment of funds prevailing in the market. Offerings of funds to be invested in Treasury Bills continue to be thrice the amount of tenders invited. The yield on Treasury Bills continues to decline and came down from Re. 0-11-6 to Re. 0-11 per cent. this week. Call money continued to be quoted at 1/4 per cent.

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India, made up to 31st January 1941, reveals an increase of Rs. 91.95 lacs in the active note circulation. An expansion of Rs. 35.48 lacs in the total of notes issued is also recorded, which corresponds with a rise of Rs. 35.55 lacs in the Bank's holding of "Rupee Coin." In the Banking Department, Deposits on account of Government have swollen by Rs. 607.03 lacs. Bankers' Deposits have also gone up by Rs 228.48 lacs, while Other Deposits register a drop of Rs. 103.56 lacs. Balances held abroad record another substantial rise of Rs. 860.79 lacs and have now mounted up to over Rs. 67 crores. Government borrowings against "Ways and Means" have been completely wiped out.

A rise of Rs. 40.18 lacs in all kinds of Deposits is revealed in the statement issued by the Imperial Bank of India for the period ended 31st January 1941. The item of 'Investments' records a drop of Rs. 301.26 lacs, while Advances are up by Rs. 75.55 lacs. The Bank's holding of Cash had gone up by Rs. 256.53 lacs.

EXCHANGE

The rupee/sterling exchange market continued in its dull and featureless course unrelieved by any noteworthy activity. For interbank transactions, sellers of spot T. T. on London quoted 1s. 5-63/64d. and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months—1s. 5-31/32d.

Buyers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months—1s. 6-1/32d.

In the New York market sterling lay pegged at 403.50 cents, the upper limit fixed by the Bank of England all through the week. The Shanghai dollar also was unchanged at 3-5/16d. and so was the yen at 1s. 2-1/2d.

GOLD

In spite of restricted activity in the gold market, a steady undertone was perceptible throughout the week under review. Opening at Rs. 42-0-9, spot gold fluctuated narrowly between Rs. 42-2-3 and Rs. 42-0-6. February settlement was quoted at a premium of 6 to 9 pies over spot, while gold to be delivered in the March settlement commanded a premium of 9 pies over February. Business in gold coins was negligible and the price of sovereigns declined by an anna from Rs. 28-8 to Rs. 28-7. Owing to absence of exports, stocks in the local market have piled up to nearly 3,50,000 tolas; arrivals from upcountry, however, are lower at 5,000 tolas a day; while the average daily offtake continues unchanged at around 2,500 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs 42-2-3 and Rs. 42-0-6 for spot, Rs. 42-3 and Rs. 42-1-3 for February settlement and Rs. 42-3-9 and Rs. 42-2 for March settlement.

SILVER

The silver section of the local bullion market displayed the same steadiness which has been observed for some time past. Opening at Rs. 63-2-6 ready silver went up to Rs 63-6 on Saturday. During mid-week, a quiet tendency developed and the rate declined to Rs. 62-12-6, but bear-covering appeared at this stage, which pushed up the price to Rs. 63-2 on Wednesday. At the close, spot was quoted at Rs. 63.

GILT-EDGED

Barring a temporary easiness mid-week following advices from London, the local gilt-edged market ruled steady throughout the period under report. 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stocks, in London, declined from £96-3/8 to £96 at the close, whilst 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper locally, after-touching Rs. 95-4, closed steadier at Rs. 95-7. There were similar movements in other terminable bonds. 3 per cent. 1946 Defence Bonds, which were quoted at Rs 100-15 in the early part of the week, were available at Rs. 100-12 at the finish, and 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax free) loan was inclined to be offered at Rs. 112-6 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan was quoted at Rs. 97-2. 3 per cent. 1941 bonds at Rs. 101 and 3 per cent 1951-54 loan at Rs. 99-4. 3 per cent. 1963-65 loan was neglected at Rs. 94-4, 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan at Rs. 102-8 and 4 per cent. 1943 bonds at Rs. 104-10. 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan remained static at Rs 113-8 throughout the week, whilst 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan drifted lower from Rs. 108.5 to Rs. 108-2.

SHARES

The local share market continued on a steady note throughout the period under report and prices firmed up mid-week with a slight reaction at the finish owing to succession of holidays. The turnover in the market was fair-sized and a bullish sentiment pervaded throughout. Encouraging war news coupled with investment inquiry accounted for this situation.

Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds gradually moved up from Rs. 1916-4 to Rs 1960, but closed lower at Rs. 1938-12, whilst Ordinaries, after gaining nearly 10 points to Rs. 381, declined and closed at Rs. 377. Mill group was prominent with buyers in all scrips. Bombay Dyeings improved from Rs. 1073-12 to Rs. 1112-8, Centuries from Rs. 372 to Rs. 384 and Central India from Rs. 297 to Rs. 310, but closed lower at Rs. 1093-12, Rs. 378 and Rs. 303-8 respectively. Colabas found buyers at Rs. 173-8 and Gokaks at Rs. 215, and Kohinoors were bid up from Rs. 385 to Rs. 409. New Greats ruled steady around Rs. 416, closing slightly easier at Rs. 411. There was good investment inquiry in the Hydro-electric group of shares; Andhra Valleys forged ahead from Rs. 1700 to Rs. 1755 for cash, whilst Tata Hydros were done at Rs. 176-8. Bombay Trams were maintained around Rs. 132. Tata Powers, after steadily gaining ground from Rs. 1567-8 to Rs. 1590, dropped to Rs. 1577-8 at the end. Bank shares were practically in the doldrums; Bank of Indias were almost static at Rs. 143 and Central Banks at Rs. 44-6. Imperial Bank Fully Paids lost about 5 points to Rs. 1562-8 for want any inquiry, whilst Partly Paids remained neglected at Rs. 385-10. Reserve Banks were quoting Rs. 105-12. In the miscellaneous bloc, Belapurs found strong buyers at Rs. 214-8, whilst Bombay Burmas were marked up from Rs. 556 to Rs. 552-8. Associated Cements displayed good strength at Rs. 137-12 and New Indias at Rs. 41-12. Scindia Steams were in request at Rs. 21-13 as against the opening level of Rs. 20-14.

CALCUTTA

The selfsame dull conditions prevailed in the jute section of the Calcutta market. Prices remained almost unchanged from their last levels, whilst the turnover continued restricted.

Lorry Owners' Conditional Offer To Govt.

The Joint Secretary of the Lorry Owners' Association writes:—

The Lorry Owners' Association has decided to help England win the War by collecting funds from its members mostly from those who are using the Bombay-Agra road, by charging every vehicle a certain amount per trip, which amount will in no case exceed Rs 20 per month, so as to enable the Association to hand over to the British Government approximately Rs. 25,000 annually for the duration of the War, as a donation from the Lorry Owners.

The scheme is under consideration by the Association and the Lorry Owners are requested to send their suggestions if any to the Secretary of the Association which may enable his Committee to collect more funds at a lesser cost. The collection of the funds will start as soon as a satisfactory reply is received by the Association in respect of their grievances already addressed to the Secretary, Government of Bombay, Revenue Department for the satisfactory working of the Regional Transport Authority, North Deccan Region, of the Bombay Province.

Results Of Exam. Of A.R.P. Instructors

The following candidates are declared successful in the examination held of the class organised under the auspices of the Parsi Ambulance Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas for A.R.P. Instructors' Course:—

INSTRUCTOR'S CERTIFICATES:—1. Pte. Cawas J. Bam, B.Sc., 2. Sub-Inspr. V. T. Gadre, B.Ag., 3. Sub-Inspr E. A. Fernandes, B.A. (Hons.), 4. Madhugiri R. Krishnamurthy, B.Sc., B. T., 5. Lady Amb. Offr. Mrs. E. P. A. Hill, 6. Amb/Sister Mrs. Sheila M. Kershaw, 7. Jamshed N. Bulsara, 8. Pte. Minoo C. Press, 9. Vasan D. Muzumdar, 10. R. Ben Samuel, 11. Esmail Haji Rokadia, 12. Pte. Tehmuraspt A. Banker, 13. Ibrahim I. Bora, 14. Gajanan S. Bagwe, 15. Miss Koomi K. Panthaki, 16. Amb. Offr. David A. Samuel, 17. Rustomji J. Panthaky, G.D.A., 18. Amb/Sister Mrs. Khorshed P. Daruwala.

PASS CERTIFICATES:—1. Charles J. Collins, 2. Bhalchandra G. Borker, 3. Gulam A. Mooraj, 4. Pte. Abraham S. Nathan, 5 Pte. Jonathan J. Jacobs, 6. Miss Sheroo A. Paddar, 7. Maneck B. Bulsara, 8. Sub-Inspr. W. E. Rispin, 9. Vasant A. Pradhan, 10. Ganesh S. Gondhalekar, 11. Sub-Inspr. K. R. Vasavada, 12. Sanjina Rao.

The above candidates are requested to receive their certificates as they are now ready for distribution.

Mr. R. S. Rulker, has been elected President of the Provincial Forward Bloc and Mr. Mohanlal, Acting President of the Nagpur Forward Bloc.—United Press.

Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Magh Shud 11, 1997
Muslim: Monurrum 11, 1360
Parsi: Shehrever 7, 1310
Hightide: 8-24, 22-22
Lowtide: 3-22, 15-06
Sunrise: 7h. 11m.
Sunset: 6h. 35m.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE

The monthly concert will be held at Laxmibaug, New Bhatwadi, Sandhurst Road to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. (S.T.) when Miss Padmavati Shaligram will entertain the members with vocal music.

SOUTH INDIAN SANGEETHA SABHA

A concert by Sangeetha Vidwan Mayavaram Sri Rajam Aiyar Vocal-Nagercoil Harihara Iyer Violin and Sri Trivadi Krishna Aiyar Mridangam will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) at the South Indian Education Society's School Hall, Matunga, G. I. P.

MATUNGA GUJARATI CLUB

Under the auspices of the above Club, Vasant Utsava will be celebrated to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. (S.T.) in the Club's Compound near the Tram Terminus, King's Circle, when Sjt. Pradip of the Bombay Talkies, Sjt. Shantilal Shah, Proprietor of the Prabhat Kala Kutir. Sjt. Narottam and his party will present a programme of songs, Music and orchestra etc.

SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC

The weekly concert of the school will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the School Hall, 257 Vithalbhai Patel Road.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION

Under the auspices of the above Union, a public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at the Socialist Hall (Mantri House, opposite Opera House) when Dr. D. G. Vyas will speak on "Art for the People" at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

It is proposed to start a Philosophical Society in Bombay. For this purpose, a meeting of those who are interested in Philosophy will be held in the Lecture-room, University Buildings, South Wing, to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

SECONDARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Prof. Pillay will speak on "Aims of Education" at 5-45 p.m. and Mr. D. J. Limaye on "Education and Citizenship" at 6-35 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at C. L. Boys' School, Dadar.

EDUCATION AMONG MASSES

A special general meeting of the Society for the Promotion of Education among the Masses will be held on Tuesday, the 25th instant at 6-15 p.m. at the residence of Rao Bahadur S. D. Mankar, Guzdar Park, Bombay, to consider the situation which has arisen on account of the transfer of the Society's property to the Municipal Corporation.

KANNADA SABHA

Public lecture by Mr. K. N. Gaitonde, on 'Unification of Karnataka' at the premises of 'Vijayanagar', B. B. and C. I. Dadar today (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. Mr. R. K. Prabhu Assistant Editor, "Bombay Chronicle", will preside.

NATIONAL LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Western India National Liberal Association, a public meeting will be held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Public Hall, on Thursday, the 13th instant at 6 p.m. (S.T.) when Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Dr. R. P. Paranjpye and Mr. Naushir C. Bharucha will speak on "The present political situation." Sir Chimanlal Setalvad will preside.

VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY, DADAR

Brahmachari Nirguna Chaitanya of Ramakrishna Mission will deliver a public lecture at the Society's premises, 64 Portuguese Church Road, Mersellow Building, Dadar, to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.).

IN MEMORY OF LLOYD

Flags were flown at half-mast on all civil public buildings in Bombay and throughout the Province on Friday, on account of the funeral of Lord Lloyd.

CENSUS WEEK SANDESH

A public meeting under the auspices of the Dadar Hindu Sabha, will be held in Dharu Hall, Dadar, to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.) under the presidentship of Rao Bahadur S. K. Bole.

Dr. N. D. Savarkar, Pandit Laxmanrao Oghale, Pandit Palaye Shashtri, Pandit P. B. Murkute, Sjt. D. R. Badge and others will deliver the Sandesh.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Gamadia Colony Welfare Association, Dastur Framroze A. Bode will deliver a lecture in Gujarati on "Some of the Romantic Social Customs Amongst the Parsis" to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the Men's Industrial Hall of the Parsi Punchayet Hunner Shala, Gamadia Colony, Tardeo. Mrs. Gulestan R. Billimoria, M.A., Chairman of the Managing Committee of the Gamadia Colony Welfare Association will preside.

BENGAL CLUB, PAREL

The 'Annual Sports Festival' under the auspices of the Club, will be held at the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana Ground, Parel, on Sunday, the 9th instant at 8 a.m. (S.T.). The Hon. Mr. Justice K. C. Sen, I.C.S., will preside and distribute the prizes.

BAND AT VICTORIA GARDENS

The Band of the Bombay City Police will play a programme of music at Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) commencing from 9 to 11 p.m. (S.T.).

MUNICIPAL WORKERS' UNION

Under the auspices of the Municipal Workers' Union, Bombay, a public meeting of the workers of the Victoria Gardens will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) behind the Garden near the Oil Mills. Messrs. R. S. Nimbkar, Maniben Kara, Prabhaker Deo and Shantabai Bhalerao will address the meeting.

LECTURE SERIES ON TULSIDAS

Shrimati Savitri Dulareylal M.A., Editor and Proprietress 'Sudha' and Ganga Pustak Mala, Lucknow will deliver a series of lectures on the life and works—specially 'Ramayan' of Goswami Tulsidas

The first lecture of the series will be given to-day (Saturday) in the temple (mandir) of "Shri Nar Narayan" at Kalbadevi Road under the presidentship of Shrimati Parwati Devi M.A. at 5 p.m.

SUBRAMANYA PUJAH

Shri Subramania Puja Utsavam is being celebrated at the South Indian Bhajan Samaj from February 4 to February 10 (both days inclusive). It is proposed to have a Kavadi procession to-morrow (Sunday), between 8 and 12 noon through the main streets of Matunga. Final Puja will be celebrated on Monday.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Tarzan and His Mate". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"A Little Bit of Heaven". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"The Letter." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Thief of Bagdad." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Man With Nine Lives". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
PATHE—"Puja". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe Karoon." Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-15 p.m.
MINERVA—"Nartaki". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Mere Raja". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Qaidi". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
CHITRA—"Deepak". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-15 p.m.
PALACE—"Four Sons". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

Mayavaram Rajam Iyer, well-known vocalist from the South, who will give a concert at Matunga, to-day evening in the S. I. Education Society's Hall.

HARIKIRTAN AT GAMDEVI TEMPLE

There will be eight days' Harikirtan at the Gamdevi Temple by Kirtan Visharad Manjulbuwa Pandharpurkar, commencing daily at 8-30 p.m. from to-day (Saturday).

MISS PILOO MADAN RECITAL

Miss Khorshed Piloo Madan, Violinist in the concerts of Calcutta symphony orchestra, will give a recital at the Mazdaznan Hall, Industrial Assurance Building, opposite Churchgate Station, to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY YOUTHS' DEBATING ASSOCIATION

"Abolition of capitalism will ensure the world peace" will be the subject of a public debate on Sunday, the 9th instant at 9-30 a.m. at Vanmali Hall Building, Dadar. Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas will preside.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

The Jt. Hon. Secretary writes:—

All the members of the B. N. G. are requested to be present at the Congress House at 7 a.m. to-morrow (Sunday) to attend the parade. The Managing Committee meeting will be held just after the parade at Indra Bhuvan, Sandhurst Road.

POPULAR SCIENCE LECTURES

To-day's lecture under the joint auspices of the Royal Institute of Science and the B. P. A. E. Association, by Mr. D. D. Desai, on "Atmospheric Pressure" has been postponed to Saturday, the 8th March.

BRAHMO SAMAJ

Mr. G. L. Chandavarkar will conduct Divine Service at the Bombay Brahmo Samaj and offer a special prayer in memory of the death of Mrs. Rajwibai Premadas at the residence of Mr. Prema Das, Noor Baug, Umerkhadi, to-morrow (Sunday).

JUPITER GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LIMITED.

A Correspondent writes:—

Mr. N. M. Choksy, Secretary of the Jupiter General Insurance Co. Ltd. has been honoured by the Board of Directors with the designation of 'Manager'. Under his control, the Jupiter General Insurance Co. Ltd. has shown great progress.

WAR GIFTS' FUND

Under the auspices of the Ladies Committee of the War Gifts' Fund, Prof. Deval's Circus will give a special show at 5-30 p.m. on Thursday, 13th instant, when Lady Blackwell will be present. The proceeds of the show will go to the War Gifts' Fund.

BOMBAY BARODA ASSURANCE CO. LTD.

To meet Rajya Ratna B. K. Bhate, Accountant General, Baroda State, the chairman and directors, Col. Shrimant Bhausaheb Vithalrao Gaekwad, Rajya Ratna Gunvantrai G. Majmudar, High Court Pleader, Baroda, H. V. Kirtane, M.A., LL.B., manager of Bombay Office, gave 'At Home' party at the Bombay office, Kermani Building, Hornby Road, Fort, on 5th instant.

Prominent among those present were Mr. K. H. Setalvad, Dr. R. V. Sathe, Dr. A. P. Naik, founder and hon. secretary of Hindu Foundling Home and others.

GOKHALE SOCIETY'S PAREL NIGHT SCHOOL

The first annual festival of the above Study Seminary will be celebrated under the presidentship of Mr. Bhaskarrao V. Jadhav (late Minister for Education, Bombay Government) on Sunday, February 9 at 3 p.m. in R. M. B. High School—Assembly Hall, Parel, Bombay, when a few scenes from "Sangit' Punya-Prabhav" will be given by the members of the School Lalit Kala Mandal and speeches on "Personal Criticism" "Periodicals and Public Instruction" and "Marathi Rangbhumi", will be delivered.

Municipal By-Election In Byculla

A public meeting will be held at Shambhu Kamathi Chawl, Clerk Road, to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. (S.T.) to support Mr. Khandray's candidature for the ensuing Municipal by-election in Byculla Ward when Mr. Chaudhari will preside.

A public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Agripada Chawl No. 22 to support Mr. B. M. Khandray's candidature for the ensuing Municipal by-election when Shri V. A. Karapurker, Municipal Councillor, will preside and Messrs. V. M. Kande, Mansingrao Jagtap, Deshmukh and Drs. Rane and Bhonsle will speak.

PUBLIC MEETING AT MATUNGA

To explain 'The Present Political Situation', a public meeting under the joint auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee and the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee will be held at Nappoo Hall, Matunga (G. I. P.) on Sunday, the 9th instant at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.). Sjt. Abid Ali Jaferbhai will preside and Mrs. Violet Alva, Sjts. Joachim Alva, K. A. Subramanian, Rudra Pratap Singh, and Ambaram Talakchand Doshi will speak.

Society Wedding In Bombay

(From A Correspondent.)

Marriage was solemnised on Thursday of Mr. Mathuradas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jivandas Tricumdas with Miss Hansabai, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Purshotam Naranji. The wedding was attended by a large number of distinguished people.

Bombay Hindi Vidyapeeth Examinations

The Hindi Examinations of Bombay Hindi Vidyapeeth will be held to-day (Saturday) and to-morrow (Sunday) respectively. The candidates are requested to be present at their respective centres 15 minutes earlier. Enquiries may be made in the office of Vidyapeeth, Marwari Vidyalaya Bhavan, Sandhurst Road, on week days between 8 and 9 a.m. and 6-30 and 7-30 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays in the evening between 4 and 6 p.m. or in Hindi Pustak Bhandar, Heera Baug, C. P. Tank Bombay, 4.

Madhwa Navami Celebrations

(From A Correspondent.)

The three-day programme of Sri Madhwa Navami celebrations, arranged by the Vani Vihar Vidyalaya and the Purnaprajna Seva Sangha, Matunga (G. I. P.), was concluded on Thursday night.

On all the three days there used to be a whole-day programme consisting of recitations from the works of Sri Madhvacharya, and achievement by Sri Harisarvottamacharya, the well-known Kirthanakar from Mysore, and others including Mrs. Kittamma, Mr. B. T. Char, Mr N. C. N. Acharya, and Mr. Jnanaprakashji

On the second day, Vidwan M. R. Gopalacharya, founder and principal of the Vani Vihar Vidyalaya, spoke on "Karma Yoga", while Messrs. B. Narayanaswamy and R. Venkatesamurthy, gave an amusing interlude entitled "The Soothsayers" in the style of the compositions of Sri Purandara Dasa.

The concluding day's programme was notable for the Veena and vocal performance of Mrs. Sundaramma Raghaviah before a packed audience. Mrs. Raghaviah sang exquisitely, accompanied by Veena played on by herself, keeping the audience spell-bound for well over an hour.

Before the function concluded, Mr. R. Venkatesamurthy made an appeal to the Kannadigas assembled to remember their duty to declare themselves and have their names correctly entered as Kannadigas in connection with the Census.

Pamphlet On Scaling Down Debts

The Bombay Government has issued a pamphlet briefly explaining the procedure for scaling down debts and determining the paying capacity under the Bombay Agricultural Debtors Relief Act, 1939. This booklet can be had from the Government Book Depot, Bombay, at 1 anna a copy.

RASHTRABHASHA CLASSES

"The next sessions of the Sunday Classes for coaching up of students appearing for the August Examinations of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samithi, Wardha, will begin from to-morrow (Sunday.) Those who are desirous of joining are requested to enrol themselves between 8-30 and 9-30 p.m. at Kanhada Education Society's School, near Napoo Hall Matunga G. I. P. Bombay."

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN)

The widening of the Mahim Causeway formerly known as the bottle neck of the Suburbs now reaches completion. This roadway is now a paradise for motorists and will help to reduce the heavy toll of accidents previously registered on this Causeway. This Causeway now has sufficiently wide footpaths on either side of the road and Suburban Police would do well for a short time to strictly enforce the pedestrians to making use of the footpath.

It may be noticed that most of the accidents registered on this Causeway in the past, were due to the faults of the pedestrians who never made use of the footpaths and crossed the roads carelessly.

The police might make a footpath drive for a fortnight which would make the pedestrian road-minded and this roadway which could now safely carry fast traffic should be free from disasters.

Bombay Kerala Samaj

In aid of the Building Fund of the Bombay Kerala Samaj, members of the Bombay Malayalee Amateur Dramatic Society will stage "Prema Vaichitryam" at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel, to-day (Saturday) commencing at 4 p.m. (S.T.).

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THE PRESS AND THE GOVERNMENT

It is curious that the Government of India have not yet indicated their response to the resolutions of the Standing Committee of the Editors' Conference at Delhi though the success of the Conference and the policy of the Indian Press must depend considerably on Government's co-operation. It will be in the interests of Government themselves to announce, without any further delay, their acceptance of the various unanimous recommendations of the Conference. The gist of the recommendations is that Government should scrupulously respect the terms of the Delhi Agreement of November last and duly consult the Press Advisory bodies created by it before taking important decisions. It is because this was not done to the requisite extent and the action taken against the *"National Herald"* and the *"Sainik"* was wholly against the spirit, if not the letter, of the Agreement that the Standing Committee had to state its recommendations in fuller and clearer terms. We trust not only that they will be accepted by the Government of India but also that they will not be evaded by local officials.

Liberty Of Press

It will be well for Government not to misunderstand that part of the principal resolution which states: "The Committee further records its opinion that the Indian Press is wholly opposed to the totalitarian doctrines of Nazism and Fascism and has no intention of hindering Britain's war effort against her enemies." The assurance is nothing more than that the Indian Press will not carry its inevitable criticism of Government to the point of embarrassing them in their war effort. The assurance should be read along with the following clause in the resolution: "The Standing Committee reaffirms the determination of the Press of India to strive for the freedom of the country without fear or favour and consequently to give legitimate publicity to news about the political movement in the country." This response to Gandhiji's appeal to the Indian Press to safeguard the right of free expression of opinion will, so far as conditions in India permit, be subject only to the decision, noted above, not to carry criticism to the point of embarrassing Government, a limitation which, we are sure, Gandhiji himself will appreciate.

Government's Duty

The unwarranted censorship of some recent statements by Gandhiji called for a separate resolution on the subject. That resolution is as follows: "This Standing Committee is glad to note that the authorities appreciate the importance of Mahatma Gandhi's position in the public life of this country and the interest which attaches to his utterances and statements. It, therefore, requests Government ordinarily not to ban publication of statements issued by Mahatma Gandhi and in cases where they are inclined to take such a step they should consult the Central Press Advisory Committee before passing any orders thereon." The word 'ordinarily' in the resolution should not be misunderstood either by the public or Government. We would have preferred Government conceding the point that, in view of the special position Gandhiji occupies in the public life of the country and the restraint he usually exercises in his writings and utterances, that they would refrain from interfering with his statements. Nevertheless the public should not think that the Press has needlessly suggested an unjustifiable check on Gandhiji's statements. Once the principle of non-embarrassment in war effort is accepted, a certain amount of censorship in the present circumstances seems to us to be almost unavoidable. If so it is not feasible to lay down in advance that this or that individual or paper shall not be subject to any limitation on his or its public pronouncements. The word 'ordinarily' is inserted, we believe, only to allow for the theoretical or conceivable possibility of exceptional circumstances justifying a reasonable degree of censorship. Moreover, to prevent the misuse of the discretion vested in Government the Standing Committee has insisted that in the event of Government being inclined to censor any statement by Gandhiji or any part of it, the Central Press Advisory Committee must be consulted. If Government fail to consult the Committee or if the latter, when consulted, fails to safeguard the legitimate rights of free speech, then will be the right occasion for the public to put the blame where it belongs. We trust in their own interests Government will accept all the recommendations of the Conference and give effect to them most scrupulously.

A Great Victory

Benghazi, not many weeks ago the headquarters of General Graziani, has fallen. Its capture is one of the most amazing feats of this war. When Sidi Barrani was captured two months ago after a hard fight, the victory was regarded as the beginning of the end of the Italian Empire in North Africa. But few expected that Benghazi, the most important base in the Cyrenaica province of Libya, would fall into British hands so soon. Yet the unexpected has happened and it has happened as a result of the dashing and daring strategy of General Wavell who is rightly regarded as a "wizard" and the co operative effort of land, air and naval forces. To achieve their victory the troops covered more than 150 miles in one week —which is truly described as one of the finest military feats the British army has ever performed —the navy and air forces having played their part in the achievement of this success. The speed of the British advance has been amazing. Within two months the British forces have marched 400 miles from Sidi Barrani and 600 miles from Alexandria. So demoralized has the Italian army in Libya become and so irresistible has been the pressure of British advance that the Italians were compelled to alter their tactics, abandon the idea of confining themselves in the fortress, as they did at Tobruk and Bardia, and prefer retreat to capture. With the capture of Benghazi—a naval base, an air base and the capital of the Province—the whole of Cyrenaica belongs to the British. Being a well-equipped port, it will afford excellent embarkation facilities to the British and immensely add to Britain's naval strength in the Mediterranean. The psychological effects of British victory will be even more pronounced.

The war in Africa is, indeed, becoming, more and more, a one-sided affair. On all the five fronts —in Eritrea, Libya, Abyssinia, Somaliland and Italian East Africa— the Italian armies are reported to be retreating at an astonishing pace. According to the Reuter's Special Correspondent, "the Italian troops are using all available roads in the 'flat-out' race for the rear." The only signs of resistance that the Italians seem to be showing is in Eritrea where the British forces are heading towards Keren. According to earlier reports, "the Italian withdrawal towards the south-east from Barentu had degenerated into a rout." Subsequent messages, however, indicate that "the Italian resistance before Keren will be greater than anything yet encountered by the British in their drive through Eritrea." The British forces have taken position around Keren which is an important railway centre 70 miles north-west of Asmara, and the Italian gun positions are under shell fire from British batteries and the situation is developing satisfactorily. Still if it is true, as reported, that the Italians look like offering determined resistance at this point, one may expect the British advance to be checked for a few days. But, however determined this resistance, it cannot last very long in view of the general collapse all over the Italian Empire in Africa. It may also be noted that the Italians are in no happier position in Greece where a counter-attack by them has ended in a disastrous defeat. The happiest aspect of the situation in Africa, of course, is that Haile Selassie's forces, helped by the British army, are advancing along the Gondar in Abyssinia and the day is not far off when the "Lion of Judah" will once again see the flag of a free Abyssinia hoisted in Addis Ababa.

Handloom Weavers' Handicaps

(By G. B. SIR DESHPANDE)

Recently the Government of India have been showing great concern over the preservation and development of the hand-loom industry. Now they have set up a Committee in Delhi to inquire how far the mill manufactures have been encroaching upon the handloom products. This is with a view to prohibit such manufactures in the mills. The object of the inquiry is laudable in the interest of the handloom industry. But that is not the remedy for the ills from which the handloom industry is suffering. The difficulties of the handloom industry are deep down in the business organisation of the industry. It is desirable that an inquiry of that sort be started prior to the present one.

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The handloom industry has always held an important place in the Indian textile industry. At present, it is supplying 26 per cent of the total consumption of cotton manufactures in India. It is possible to increase this ratio by judicious State help and advice. The real help needed is not of the type contemplated by the Government. The handloom products have a distinct field of their own. That field is not likely to be encroached upon by the mill manufactures. The handloom industry has been engaged mostly in supplying the requirements of the women in India. It has also been supplying luxury goods. Both types of goods have not been manufactured by the mills in India, or elsewhere. At best, cotton mills have been producing certain kinds of saris not usually worn by the average Indian woman. This is insignificant to the total requirements of women's apparel in India.

The difficulty of the isolated weaver is in his lack of business organisation—in the purchase of yarn (economically), in the manufacture of his goods, in the disposal of his products (at the best price). He is helpless because of his isolation and lack of staying power. To remedy these, co-operative help has been tried but it has not borne fruits anticipated of it. But this was not unexpected. Co-operation has failed in supplying agricultural credit. So also has it failed in relieving the handloom weaver. Co-operation can only flourish amongst the educated as Rochdales in England.

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The isolated handloom weaver can never hope to better himself if he is left to himself. The odds are too much against him. He can never bargain successfully against the powerful suppliers of yarn. Nor can he equip himself with the improved type of looms, warping and winding apparatus, etc.; nor should we expect him to carry his goods to the place where they are required. He can only slave himself energetically. To obviate this handicap of his, he must be linked with powerful organisations serving his interest. It will be observed that powerful weaving establishments like those of jails and other similar institutions have been maintaining themselves splendidly. Their products are sold at reasonable profits. They never experience dearth of markets for their goods.

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The Government should now come forward and extend their helping hand to weaving establishments by subsidies in the form of loans at cheap rate of interest. Along with the subsidy, they must lay down certain conditions as regards wages, condition of work and other welfare activities. The All-India Spinners' Association has been doing splendid work in this direction. The only sure way for the Government is to establish many associations of this type. It is only through such associations that the hand-loom weaver can hope to re-habilitate himself. Any other mode of help which is not immediate to him will be wasted on him with no benefit either to the public or the donor—the Government. If there is any need for inquiry, it is to ascertain how much more can the handloom industry supply the needs of the public profitably?

Pay Over Pensions For Ex-Servicemen Rejoining

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

A greatly increased demand for ex-servicemen has arisen as a result of the expansion of the armed forces, which is in progress in India, it is announced here. Since the outbreak of war, some 20,000 ex-servicemen have already rejoined.

Besides ex-servicemen, many of the Territorial Units which have been embodied and are therefore trained up to a certain point are also being invited to join the regular army. In one instance, a whole battalion responded, while in most cases, volunteers from the Territorial Units have readily come forward.

PAY OVER PENSION

Ex-servicemen re-enrolled consist of retired, Viceroy's commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers or men. They receive full rates of pay of their rank and any special pay of the corps, in which they are employed, over and above any pension they receive. A physical examination is made to see that they are reasonably fit for their age.

ORDNANCE CORPS

In Ordnance Corps 500 young Indians are to be recruited immediately to be trained as responsible store men, (combatant), to replace British other ranks, to act as reserve and maintain expanded establishments at their full strength. These trainees will at once receive the rank and pay of a Havildar, plus a trade pay of Rs. 1/8 per day. After a year's training, provided they pass the required test, they will be eligible for a trade pay of Rs. 2 per day.

Personnel already serving in the Ordnance Corps, if considered suitable, will be eligible for transfer to this new cadre and promotion to Havildar.

The training of a large number of drivers for the I.A.O.C. is also receiving attention. Several thousand of the Ordnance Corps are to receive driving instruction annually.

INSTRUMENT MECHANICS

Assistance in the training of instrument mechanics is being given by a Madras firm, while a six months' post-graduate training in engineering is to be given to officers of the Indian Military Academy, Dehra Dun, destined for engineers, at the Punjab College of Engineering and Technology, and other engineer officers who may be considered likely to benefit from a refresher course, will also be given further training at this college. A Cadet Wing of the Fighting Vehicles School is being formed to train officer cadets in gunnery, wireless and troops tactics after they have completed their basic training at Mhow and Dehra Dun.

The output of the Small Arms School is being increased by several hundred Viceroy's commissioned officers and Indian non-commissioned officers.

Provision is being made for the training of unit clerks (combatant) for cavalry, infantry and artillery. A new school for this purpose is now being established to train 300 clerks at a time. The course lasts three months and the potential output is therefore 1,200 a year.

The output of the Artillery School is being further expanded and in order to strengthen the regiment of Indian Artillery, Viceroy's commissioned officers and Indian other ranks are to be gradually withdrawn from field regiments of the Royal Artillery in India and absorbed as vacancies occur.

Physical fitness being of such prime importance in the training of India's new formations, the purchase is being sanctioned of a large amount of additional physical training equipment for training schools, centres, training battalions and newly raised units.—A. P.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Govt.'s Loan Policy

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The Government of India closed the 3 per cent 1946 Bonds of January 25, and issued another longer dated loan on the same 3 per cent basis payable in 1949-52 repayable at par as against 1 per cent premium on the 1946 bonds. This is a further proof that the Government of India, as the British Government, is determined to finance this war at as cheap a rate as possible. With the Treasury Bill rate at 11 annas, and the money market still ruling easy in spite of this busy season, this fresh loan will be in all probability as great a success as the one just closed, which brought the Government in cash and conversion more than 47 crores, making the ways and means position of the Government fairly comfortable for some time.

This policy of cheap money is in contrast to the policy pursued during the last war when a high rate of interest on borrowings led to a vicious circle of inflation, high prices and increase in wages. It is also in contrast to the pre-war policy of the Government of India when efforts to support the exchange at 1sh. 6d. led the Government of India to sell the sterling securities in the Issue Department in London and cancel the currency notes in India. This process of deflation resulted in tight money conditions in India and adversely affected the prices of Government Securities and the borrowing rate of the Government and money market conditions.

The present policy, however, of gradual currency expansion against the sterling transferred to the Issue Department from the Banking Department has enabled the Government of India to preserve cheap money conditions and to maintain a 3 per cent. borrowing rate for their big war finances. Until the present, the Government of India has succeeded in purchasing big amounts of sterling from Indian exports and from receipt of sterling from British Government against purchases effected on their behalf in India and other engagements. But with the closure of the European Market except Turkey and Greece, conditions may not be the same unless efforts are made to find alternative markets both for Indian raw materials and manufactured goods. Thus even though the Government has been able to purchase between 1st April to 31st December, 1940 sterling to the extent of £41,671,000 this question of maintaining and expanding the Indian exports to other markets including Empire countries will grow in importance every day, in spite of the figures just published for nine months of the current financial year showing a balance of trade in India's favour of Rs. 28 crores.—Yours, etc.,

R. J. MANEKSHAW.

The Comet

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—With reference to your headlines "Comet seen in Bombay" with a question mark I beg to inform you that I saw it on Sunday last between 7-30 and 8-30 p.m. and again on Monday between 7-30 and 7-45 after which it was completely obscured by clouds. When I first saw it on Sunday from the gallery of my residence on the second floor of Grace Mansion, 44, Gunpowder Road, Mazagaon, its position was between two bright stars (I am not able to name them) a little below the position of the moon. It was not midway between the two stars but nearer to the one in the west. The body of the comet itself was not very bright and the tail radiated towards the East. It moved pretty fast in a south-westerly direction. The tail was better visible on Monday night. I showed it to several of my neighbours. I hope the sky will be clearer to-night.—Yours etc.,

A. A. ANDRADE.

Frankly Speaking

"Free Rumanians"

General Antonescu continues to bring his country more and more in line with the Nazi-Fascist conception of a State. He has published new severe laws and declared that "the interests of the State" do not allow him to show leniency in future. A decree has been issued providing more drastic penalties for those committing acts endangering the State and for members of their families. All political demonstrations have been banned. The decrees are clearly the result of the recent Iron Guards rising but they also show how far Antonescu has allowed his country to be dominated—indeed, practically ruled!—by the Nazis. Rumania to-day is virtually a German territory and it was inevitable that Rumanians who happen to be outside their country should strive to overthrow the present regime. The Rumanian Committee formed in London, "seeing that Rumanian leaders are virtually prisoners in their own country", has declared its aim to be "the liberation of Rumania from her temporary serfdom." It is problematical what influence the Committee will be able to exercise on the people in Rumania but no doubt the sympathy of "free Rumanians" is an acquisition of strength to Britain.

Trojan Horses?

The Netherlands Government, now operating in London, have announced that Dr. D. J. de Geer, the Prime Minister of Holland, during the German invasion of the country, who was entrusted with a mission to the East Indies, has returned from Spain to the occupied parts of the kingdom. In plain words, this important dignitary has turned traitor to his own Government—and to Britain—and has gone over to the Nazis. The communique assures us that this can in no way be interpreted as an indication of any change in the determination of the Dutch Government to continue the war against Germany. But we hope this sensational defection will serve to remind Britain of the serious dangers to which she is exposed by the existence within her shores of so many foreign elements. There are French, Belgian, Czech, Polish, Norwegian and Rumanian Governments and committees working in close collaboration with British diplomatic and military authorities. It is not unlikely that some of them would be in possession of vital secrets of British war strategy. Is it not possible that among these armed Allies—most of whom are, no doubt, sincere—there are a few Trojan Horses who may use the information they happen to get to the detriment of Britain?

Quite A Scene

Mr. Amery's replies to questions in Parliament on India continue to be as evasive as ever. And the questioners are as easily satisfied. We should not be surprised if some of the questions and answers are stage-managed. Finding that Mr. Amery has been consistently vague and evasive and wishing to pin him down to something definite on at least one point, Mr. Cary asked the clinching question: "Is it to be accepted as the Government policy that not until Indian leaders arrive at an agreement among themselves will any forward step be taken for constitutional reform?" But the elusive Mr. Amery refused to be clinched. He only referred Mr. Cary to previous pronouncements of Government, ignoring the point that the latest question was necessary just because those confusing pronouncements were not clear enough on the point under question. Poor Mr. Cary struggled to get at least one clear unequivocal word from Mr. Amery and asked, almost in despair: "Is India to continue indefinitely in the present political status? Surely, India deserves a more positive policy?" Clearly, he referred to the post-war constitution for India which had been vaguely promised by Government and subjected to as vague conditions. But it did not suit Mr. Amery to answer to the point. And pretending that the reference was to the immediate change in constitution, he said that the Viceroy's offer was "very positive." The offer is certainly as positive as any "no" or a zero.

Climax Of Comedy

Mr. Sorensen then came to the Secretary's rescue, perhaps unintentionally, and blurred the issue by expressing the hope that Government would at least sympathetically consider the majority decision of any democratically elected body. This was what Mr. Amery wanted and he suggested that the expression of this hope was quite superfluous as "our whole sympathy is for the establishment of self-Government in India" He might well have added: "Is not the most generous offer of the Viceroy itself a conclusive proof of Government's everlasting sympathy?" The climax of the comedy was reached when Mr Harvey yearned for one last assurance and asked: "Is he prepared, at all times, to use his good offices to promote understanding among the people of India?" At this passionate appeal all the latent chivalry in Mr. Amery welled up and he said: "My good offices will always be available." Reuter has not reported whether Mr. Harvey or anybody else heard a sigh of relief.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"Hitler has already been faced with complete non-violence in three countries invaded by him —Austria, Czechoslovakia and Denmark. Has he given up his aggression? Has he been converted to the gospel of "ahimsa?' On the contrary, he has used those countries, with diabolical ingenuity, to assist his violent assaults on other nations."

—Anglo-India.

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Does anyone know what has happened to the Comet? It seems to have switched off its light or taken an upcountry train.

Anyway, we do hope he (or she?) did not resent our yesterday's remarks about his (her?) tail?

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An M.P. demanded more "positive" policy for India.

And believing that two negatives make one positive, Mr. Amery repeated his old reply.

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For the fourteenth night there was no air raid over London.

Will Goering get a sack now?

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Italian prisoners, who have arrived in India, are reported to be feeling homesick.

They must learn to do with 'biryani' instead of macaroni for the duration of the war.

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It is expected that the Pope will send a message to Berlin and London expressing a desire for more humane warfare.

Will Hitler have his reply delivered by Luftwaffe?

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Both Berlin and Dublin are being evacuated.

Which way is the Blitz now blowing?

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As exclusively predicted a few days ago by our Junior Colleague, M. Laval *is* demanding the post of Prime Minister

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It is expected that M. Laval will set up his seat of Government in Paris and not Vichy.

Paris won't mind. It has known worse tyrants and traitors.

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Heard In Our Own Office

"How far is Vichy from Paris?"

"As far as Petain can dare to keep it"

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A deputation of money-lenders from Gujerat and Maharashtra waited on Mr. H. F. Knight and contended that without timely loans from village money-lenders, the agriculturists would never be able to carry on.

Such unselfish benevolence touches us deeply. But why didn't the deputation include a few peasants to support their contention?

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) When Mr. Wendell Willkie (alias Herr Wendell Willicke) landed in Lisbon, there was a Special German plane waiting to carry him to his ancestral home—but the German-American refused the invitation.

(2) The Indo-Burma Trade Talks will result in a barter arrangement by which Burma will agree to export a hundred white elephants in return for their weight in Indian textile goods.

Crack Up Of Italian Empire In Africa

(Continued from Page 1)

paign, it is clear that British tanks played an astonishing role, chasing forwards hundreds of miles and taking one point after another completely by surprise. In the case of Libya, the British advance has been carried out not only by coast roads, but also by an interior road running clear across Cyrenaica behind a mountain range.

Surprised

The capture of Benghazi was another master-stroke of strategy comparable with the capture of Sidi Barrani. The Italians had expected an attack along the coastal roads through most difficult country. Instead, British armoured troops swept across 130 miles of Barren and waterless desert from El Mechili along tracks only used by an occasional caravan. They thus attack Benghazi from the east, appearing like a bolt from out of the desert long before the Italians anticipated an attack.

Navy Gets A Base

The capture of Benghazi will prove a great help to the British Navy in the Mediterranean war. Embarcation facilities for men and stores are excellent there. Before the war, there were engineering works capable of undertaking minor repairs, but since then the British Air Force has been battering the port so that its present condition is not yet known. The outer and inner breakwaters on the north side of the harbour enclose the new port which has an area of 370,000 square yards. The harbour may be entered in any weather and can be used by large cruisers.

Forced Abandon Defence

Rapid manoeuvring by the British Imperial Army forced the Italian Command to abandon its intention of defending Benghazi and to surrender the town yesterday. This information is given in to-day's British 'communique' It says: "By brilliant operations, British armoured forces moving south of Jebel Akda established themselves astride the Italian lines of communication, leading southwards from Benghazi. At the same time, Australian troops advancing from Derna gave the retreating enemy forces no respite. Demoralised and outmanoeuvred, the enemy were unable to put into effect their plans for the defence of Benghazi."

R. A. F.'s Work

R.A.F. activities before the capture of Benghazi are described in a 'communique' issued from the R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East which says: "Bombing aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out raids on Benghazi, Berka and Jedabya during Wednesday night. Several tons of bombs were dropped and considerable damage was caused, including one enemy aircraft destroyed by a direct hit. Our fighters continued offensive patrols during which machine-gun attacks were made on the aerodrome at Benina and a number of enemy bombers on the ground were damaged. At Benghazi, our fighters patrolled without encountering any enemy opposition."

Italians Can't Step In Again

By the capture of Benghazi, the former headquarters of General Graziani—a naval base, an air base and the capital of the Province—the British forces have virtually taken the whole of Cyrenaica. To do this the victorious troops covered more than 150 miles in one week—one of the finest military feats the British army has ever performed—but this was done so efficiently that it was made to look easy in the words of an authoritative commentator to-day. The navy and the air force too, he added, had played their part to achieve a success undreamed of two months ago.

NO JOY-RIDE.

It was evident, the spokesman continued, that during the past few days the Italians had abandoned any idea of confining themselves in the fortress, as they did at Tobruk and Bardia, but preferred retreat to capture. The speed of the advance can be gauged from the fact that the British troops were in the neighbourhood of Barce on Wednesday—60 miles from Benghazi. It is apparent from this that the Italians put up little resistance on the last lap, but they had fought hard earlier and it was no joy ride for British forces.

One important result of the latest success is that the Italians can no longer put reserves into this sector by sea, but must carry them by the long and difficult road from Sirte.

IN ERITREA

Speaking of Eritrea the commentator referred to the approach now being made by the British forces towards Keren and said that, while the capture of Keren would be important, it would not have the significance some writers had attached to it—that the taking of this town would be a decisive factor in the campaign. Keren was on a railway, had an airport and commanded a strong position. It would not be easy to take, and slow but steady progress was now to be expected. The terrain in this region was difficult and the enemy were putting up strong resistance.

Another Marked Success

To-day's British Communique from Cairo reports a second marked success in Eritrea where "the situation about Keren is developing satisfactorily and the total number of prisoners since the British troops entered Eritrea already exceeds 3,500 with many more coming in. The area of operations east of the line from Agordat to Barentu is littered with Italian war material either destroyed by British action or jettisoned by the enemy."

In Abyssinia, the British advance along Gonda Road is progressing and prisoners have also been taken. British patrols are successfully enlarging the area of their penetration along the whole front of Italian Somaliland.

Assault On Keren

British forces in Eritrea are developing positions prior to an onslaught on Keren town which commands the route to Asmara, capital of that country.

East of Barentu, the Sudan defence force is closely pressing on the heels of the fleeing Italians who are abandoning guns, war materials and mechanical transports in a desperate attempt to escape from the victorious British Empire troops. Despite this, prisoners are still being captured and since British forces entered Eritrea, Over 3,500 prisoners have been taken.

Casualties are being suffered by the enemy on the road to Gondar in Abyssinia, east of Metemma, where British forces are persistently maintaining contact with the Italians.

Keren Bombed

An R.A.F. Communique, issued from the Middle East Headquarters says that South African air force squadron patrolling near Asmara encountered enemy fighters and shot down two of them. Other aircraft of the same squadron machine-gunned Bahrdar aerodrome destroying three enemy aircraft and causing a large petrol fire. Keren was again bombed, particularly railway and military buildings, while bombs were also dropped on a large transport yard at Assab.

R. A. F. Over Albania

In Albania, military objectives west of Tepelini and Khrahad were bombed on Thursday and direct hits on military stores and motor transports were observed. Weather conditions during the raid were very bad. No British aircraft was lost, says an R.A.F. Communique from the Middle East.

"WE SEE ACTION CONFRONTING US"

Abdul Ghaffar Khan On His Frontier Tour Impressions

DERA ISMAILKHAN, Feb. 7.

Interviewed by the Associated Press on the conclusion of his Frontier tour to-day, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan said, "I just finished a comprehensive tour of the Province. I feel satisfied with the field covered throughout the five districts. The affection and enthusiasm of my people filled me with hope and vigour and made me confident of the realisation of our dreams.

We are aware of the extraordinary times we are passing through. It is high time to understand their significance and implications. Days for argument are dead and gone; we see action confronting and awaiting us. Let us not sidetrack minor issues and make our squabbles and bickerings stand in the way of an united front for Indian independence.

We shall stand condemned before the coming generations for our inability to show greatness at this critical stage of human progress when the entire world is engaged in such an awful conflict. May God give us strength and foresight to tackle its present day problems and save humanity from utter destruction and ruin.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan accompanied by Amir Mohd., ex-Parliamentary Secretary and Mohd Yunus is leaving for Peshawar tomorrow morning.—A. P.

R.A.F. Attack On Channel Ports

Incendiary Bombs Cause Fires At Dunkirk: Warehouses Destroyed

LONDON, Feb 7.

Heavy attacks on invasion ports of occupied-France were made by the R.A.F. last night (Thursday) despite bad weather.

To-day's Air Ministry Communique states that many bursts were observed in the dock areas of Dunkirk and Dieppe and several large fires were started. Calais and Fecamp docks were also bombed.

The Communique adds that one R.A.F. plane is missing.

The British bombers which attacked Channel ports last night were obliged to fight also against heavy clouds. The R.A.F. was only able to drop bombs, when the prevailing clouds parted or occasionally by diving through the clouds when satisfactory results were observed.

At Dieppe many fires started and suddenly died down again, which suggested that the burning objects were barges, which burned to the waterline and then sank.

At Boulogne, adequate gaps in the clouds enabled the delivery of a heavier attack with satisfactory results—fires followed by explosions. Incendiary bombs caused fires at Dunkirk where, the pilots say, bombs burst among shipping. The Eastern end of the Docks railway was hit at Fecamp while warehouses on the dockside at Calais were destroyed.—Reuter.

German Bomber Shot Down

Attempt To Attack Convoy Foiled By Br. Destroyer

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The British destroyer "Vanity" has shot down a German Dornier twin-engined bomber which was attempting to attack a convoy.

The Admiralty Communique says that a direct hit was made on the enemy aircraft which crashed into the sea. There were no survivors. No damage or casualty was sustained by the convoy or the destroyer.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIM IN HONAN BATTLE

TOKIO, Feb. 7.

Chinese dead and abandoned after a battle in Piyuan sector, southern Honan province, total 5,600, according to a Domei News Agency message from Piyuan. The message further claims that 400 Chinese were taken prisoner and a large quantity of war material captured.—Reuter.

UNPRECEDENTED RAINS IN TURKEY

SMYRNA, Feb. 6.

Unprecedented rains in Western Turkey have resulted in over one million acres being completely submerged in the Smyrna District.

Gigantic torrents have washed away bridges, destroyed roads and brought down telephone and telegraph wires. The extent of the damage is incalculable.—Reuter.

Thailand-Indo-China Dispute

TOKYO, February 7

Mr. Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, will preside over the opening meeting of the Peace Conference between Thailand and Indo-China on Saturday afternoon at the Japanese Prime Minister's official residence.—Reuter.

BANK OF ENGLAND DIRECTOR IN AMERICA

Important Gesture And Its Significance

LONDON: (By Cable).

The "Daily Telegraph" Washington correspondent cables:—

Much interest has been aroused by the arrival on board the Pan-American Airways "Yankee Clipper" of Sir Edward Peacock, Director of the Bank of England, who has been sent to the United States by the British Government to discover how to make the best possible use of British investments such as businesses in the United States and United States companies controlled by British concerns whose shares are not quoted on the Stock Exchange:—

Whatever the results, observes the "Wall Street Journal," the visit of Sir Edward is a gesture reflecting Great Britain's intention to meet her financial obligations to the best of her ability.

The value of such British assets as land and buildings in cities like New York and stocks in American subsidiaries of British companies is not known, even approximately, although one figure that has been mentioned is £500 millions.

NO MORE CONCESSIONS

Lease And Lend Bill Goes To Senate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

Leaders of the Democrat Party in the House of Representatives are determined to send the Lease and Lend Bill to the Senate before the end of to-day with "no more concessions". They are not attempting to remove an amendment proposed by the Republican representative, Mr. Dirksen, on Monday empowering Congress to terminate the Bill at any time.

The House adopted this amendment yesterday while 65 Democrats were out lunching.—Reuter.

Winant To Leave In England In 10 Days' Time

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

Mr. John Winant, the new United State's Ambassador to Britain, will probably leave for England in ten days' time, according to an announcement by President Roosevelt.—Reuter.

Moscow Congratulates Roosevelt

LONDON, Feb. 7

MOSCOW:—Messages containing congratulations and good wishes were exchanged betwen M. Kalinin, President of the U.S.S.R. and President Roosevelt on the occasion of the American President's inauguration.

The text of the messages were published here today.

M. Kalinin cables.—"On the occasion of your new accession to the post of the President, kindly accept my sincere congratulations and best wishes for your personal happiness and for the prosperity of the American people."

To this, President Roosevelt replied:—"I highly appreciate the cordial congratulations received from Your Excellency on the occasion of my election as the President of the United States and am happy to reciprocate your good wishes."—Reuter.

COL. KNOX'S EVIDENCE ON BRITAIN'S NEEDS

Dramatic Scene Before U. S. Senators

LONDON: (By Cable).

The "Daily Mail" correspondent at Washington cables:—

Col. Frank Knox, United States Navy Secretary, in a booming voice that could be heard for 100 yards told Senate members:—"This is the latest information to reach me right now—the Germans are watching long-range weather reports and waiting for an indication of an uninterrupted period of good weather in order to launch the invasion of Britain.

"But," he added, "I'm dubious about the success of any attempt at invasion."

He was addressing the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, urging the immediate passage of the Lease and Lend Bill.

NEW BOMBING

There was a dramatic hush throughout the crowded Committee Room. Col. Knox's face bore a grim, determined expression. To give point to what he said he raised a clenched fist.

His statement was provoked by the isolationist Senator Gillette asking: "What has happened in the last four months to make the situation more serious than last autumn? Why, if it is so urgent to help Britain, did the Administration not bring the bill up before?"

Col. Knox who had been sitting with his thumbs in the sides of his waistcoat, sat up.

"Hitler has maintained an army ready for invasion and he continues to prepare the equipment," said the Colonel.

"His Air Force is practising new methods of bombardment. We fear the Germans will use a big wave of gas.

"Hitler has not allowed his attention to be deflected for one second from his objective. He tried to break the morale of the British people by indiscriminate bombing. It didn't. It only hardened British morale.

"After that the Germans began bombing specified areas and this bombing—I cannot disclose actual figures—has been far more effective than hitherto. It has given us who watch cause for alarm.

BRITAIN AHEAD

"The most serious phase, and one that is acute, is the success of the German submarine campaign and the failure of the British to find a solution.

"These are our reasons for expecting a crisis to come within the next 60 to 90 days."

Col. Knox went on to say that there had been a lull in German aeroplane production in the last month or two, during which American and British factories had produced more planes than the Germans.

This was due to the desperate German search for a new type of plane that will make all planes in the air now obsolete.

SHOULD ENGLAND KEEP ON FIGHTING?

79 Per Cent Of The Americans Say "Yes"

LONDON: (By Cable).

The New York correspondent of the "News-Chronicle" cables:—

President Roosevelt's fireside chat a month ago on the impossibility of bargaining with Hitler killed a movement in favour of a negotiated peace.

A Gallup Poll on January 30 writes that movement's epitaph:

A "Do you think" cross section of Americans were asked: "Should England try to make the best possible peace now with Germany or keep on fighting in the hope of defeating Germany?"

The results were:—

Keep on fighting 79 per cent.
Try to make peace 15 per cent.
Do not know 6 per cent.

Theft by domestic servants in the city of Calcutta caused a loss of Rs. 58,202/3/3 to their masters during the year 1938/39.

POLICE SEARCH RESIDENCE OF BOSE AGAIN

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

Officers of the special branch of the Calcutta Police visited the residence of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose this evening and examined his elder brother, Dr. Sunil Chandra Bose, and several other members of the family, regarding the disappearance of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose. The police continued their enquiry for over an hour and left.

Concern and anxiety for the sudden and unexpected disappearance of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose were expressed by the Executive Council of the suspended Provincial Congress Committee at its meeting this evening.

The Council also conveyed to Mr. Bose's aged mother and the family their sympathy.

The Council appealed to the people to march ahead with the "clear-cut and unambiguous" programme of work laid down by Mr. Bose for attaining independence.—A. P.

WHEN BOSE WILL BE 'DISCOVERED'

An Astrologer's Prophecy

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

A local astrologer, who claims to have foretold many coming events correctly, sends the following prophecy about Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose to the United Press: (1) He has become 'Sanyasi' for full 18 months. (2) "His whereabouts will be discovered between February 6 and 10. (This rules by: "Sun-Chandra"). (3) He will rejoin politics in August, 1942. (This rules by: "Full Sun"). (4) He will be re-elected President of the Indian National Congress, in January February, 1943.—"The Tribune."

Forward Bloc To Observe "Subhas Day"

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

An appeal to every Indian particularly to the members and supporters of the Forward Bloc, to organise a "Subhas Day" throughout the country on Sunday, February 23, is made by Mr. Mukund Lal Sircar, acting General Secretary of the All-India Forward Bloc. The main items of the programme for the observance of the Day should, he says, include individual and congregational prayers in the morning, hartals, if and where possible, and public meetings in the afternoon to popularise Mr. Bose's programme and then taking of a vow to "carry on his unfinished task."—A. P.

Poona D. L. B. Adjourns

POONA, Feb. 7.

The Poona District Local Board adjourned its quarterly meeting today without transacting any business in view of the disappearance of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose and the celebration of the Moharum festival.—A. P.

Externment Order On Forward Bloc Worker

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

Dinesh Bhattacharya, a Congress worker, was arrested yesterday by the special branch of the Calcutta police while he was distributing leaflets alleged to be of a prejudicial character at a meeting in North Calcutta. On a search of his residence later, the police are stated to have seized a number of similar leaflets.

A student worker of the local Forward Bloc at Mymensingh, Amarendra Bose, who was arrested under the Defence of India Rules in connection with a speech he delivered at Bipin Park in Mymensingh, has been released on bail by the Magistrate.

Another worker of the Forward Bloc, Niliratan Pathak of Ujjain in Faridpur, has been served with a notice of externment under the Defence of India Rules.

Mr. Pulin Behari Bakshi of Sherpur in Mymensingh has been arrested by the police under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

House Searches At Madaripur

CALCUTTA, Feb. 6.

The Police raided the houses of Mr. Anukul Chakraborty and four others in Madaripur town and suburbs. Some books and papers from the houses of Mr. Chakraborty and Mr. Sarkar are reported to have been seized.—United Press.

Searches Galore For 'Red' Literature

CALCUTTA, Feb. 6.

A simultaneous mid-night searches were made by the police yesterday in the houses of Dr. Sachindra Nath Das Gupta, Mr. Naresh Chandra Chakraborty, Mr. Bijoy Kumar Hore, Dr. Jyotish Ghosh, Dr. Sasanka Bose and nine others including two ladies of Jalpaiguri, in search of alleged Communist literature and anti-war leaflets. All the persons were taken to the police station and let off late at night after their statements were recorded.

Miss C. Doma has been prosecuted under Rule 38 of the Defence of India Rules for alleged possession of some anti-war posters. The Kotwali police accompained by several I. B. police carried out searches at as many as 12 houses in the Barisal town and suburbs.

From reports received from the Mofussil, it is ascertained that several houses in different villages have been searched during the week by the police, in quest of objectionable literature.

CONVICTED

Messrs. Sarada Charan Das, an ex-detenu, and Jogesh Chandra Chakraborty, ex-convict, were sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment each for violating the order of restriction by talking with each other on their way back home from the Anwara Police Station, where both the accused went to report their weekly attendance.—United Press.

Electrical Commissioner For Govt. Of India

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

In pursuance of the recommendations of the Roger Mission the post of Electrical Commissioner with the Government of India has been created and Mr. H. M. Mathews has been appointed as such. The office has been established with that of the Director-General of Munitions Productions, Calcutta.

The duty of the Electrical Commissioner will be to ensure efficiency of electric supply undertakings in India during the war and to see that the electrical system in Ordnance Factories and Factories engaged in important war work is reliable and secure.—United Press.

Challenge To Old World Ideals Of Imperialism

Madura Resolution, Both An Appeal And An Ultimatum To Arrogant Authority, Says Chatterjee

BARISAL, Feb. 7

"Between us and the Pakisthanists there shall be war and nothing but war", declared Mr. N. C Chatterjee, Member of the Working Committee of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, presiding over the Barisal District Hindu Conference, which commenced here today.

"The Muslim League," said Mr. Chatterjee, "is sponsoring the Pakistan scheme which is more sinister, more diabolical and more preposterous, than the Curzonian scheme for the partition of our Motherland We, the Hindu Mahasabhites, are pledged to resist this iniquitous scheme."

Explaining the Hindu Mahasabha's attitude towards the war, Mr. Chatterjee said that they realised that the whole world was now organised on the basis of disciplined violence. Therefore, in order to make India's freedom a reality, they must have a national army and a properly equipped defence force able to keep India inviolate. "Our policy regarding the war is that of Tilak and Savarkar—diplomatic responsible co-operation," the speaker observed.

APPEAL AND "AN ULTIMATUM"

Referring to the resolution adopted at the Madura Session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, Mr. Chatterjee pointed out that this resolution is both an appeal and an ultimatum."

It was an appeal to the saner section of the Britishers who wanted a new approach to the Indian problem with a touch of imagination and who were not in favour of the present policy of inaction adopted by the Viceroy of India. It was a challenge to arrogant authority entrenched on the old world ideals of imperialism.

"If the Hindus of Bengal are determined to make India free and to survive the attacks on their political and cultural and economic life, they must be prepared to resist both imperialism and communalism," said Mr. Chatterjee.

REACTIONARY MEASURES

Mr. Chatterjee strongly criticised the activities of the "communal ministries" now functioning in some of the provinces in India and, referring to the ministry in Bengal, remarked that the policy of attempting to weaken and suppress one community, which was being pursued in this province, was probably without any parallel in the present day civilised world. "It is becoming a class war with a vengeance," he said.

In this connection he made a reference to the Secondary Education Bill and the Calcutta Municipal (Amendment) Bill now pending before the Assembly, which he characterised as "reactionary, anti-national and mischievous measures."—A P.

Mahasabha Council Of Action For Bombay?

BOMBAY, Feb. 7.

At an informal meeting of the Provincial Hindu Sabha workers held this evening Mr. V. G. Deshpande, who returned from his tour this morning, discussed the ways and means of direct action and the enrolment of volunteers.

It was decided to set up a Council of Action for Bombay and for that purpose a meeting of the Provincial Hindu Sabha has been convened on February 9.—United Press.

PEACEFUL MOHURRUM

Jubbulpore Muslims Exempted From Operations Of Ban On Lethal Weapons

JUBBULPORE, Feb. 7.

Mohurrum passed off peacefully at Jubbulpore to-day. Thirty-two Tazias were taken out from various parts of the City and immersed at Karbala.

EXEMPTION FOR MUSLIMS

Earlier, the District Magistrate issued an order exempting Muslims from the operation of the prohibitory order banning carrying of arms and lathis within the City and permitted Muslims to carry them in processions only during Mohurrum.—A. P.

Muslims Picket Cinema House

PESHAWAR, Feb. 7.

The Mohurrum passed off peacefully to-day.

All places of entertainment according to tradition remain closed in the Frontier for a period of ten days.

At Abbottabad, picketing was resorted to by Muslims at a Cinema house whose management refused to close down. Elsewhere no incident is reported.—A. P.

GOVT. TO TAKE UP TAPTI VALLEY RAILWAY

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7

Press Communique: The Government of India have decided to terminate the contract with the Tapti Valley Railway Company and to purchase the railway on the 31st March, 1942. A notice has been served on the Company accordingly.—A. P.

The proposed Exhibition of Indian Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industries in connection with the 80th birthday celebration of Acharya Sir P. C. Ray will be held at Calcutta during the third week of March next.

Haji Ahmed Hussain Courts Jail

Mahatma's Comrade-In-Arms In South Africa

SATYAGRAHA ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS

(By Our Correspondent).

BROACH, (By Mail).

Mr. Haji Ahmed Hussain Tagari of Hathuran (Baroda State) has given notice to the District Magistrate of his intention to offer Satyagraha on Friday, the 7th inst. at 2 p.m. near Jumma Masjid in Ankleshwar.

Mr. Tagari is seventy-five years old. He took part with Mahatma Gandhi in the South African Satyagraha and suffered imprisonment. Ever since his return to India Mr. Tagari has been taking a very prominent part in Congress activities. He had joined not only the Nagpur Satyagraha but also the non-violent non-co-operation movements in the years 1920, 1930 and 1932. He was sent to jail on all the occasions. Mr. Tagari is a member of the Ankleshwar Taluka Congress Committee. He is the second Muslim satyagrahi of the District.

Mr. Rajaram Trivedi, Secretary of "C" Ward Congress Committee, who was arrested on Friday morning.

SEVERAL ARRESTS

Sjt. Thakorlal Harjivandas Shah of Amod, Sjt. Ratilal Narotamdas Shah of Chaklad, Sjt. Harilal Kesurbhai Patel of Mia Matar, Sjt. Bahecharbhai Gulabbhai Patel of Talod and Sjt. Hirachand Nagardas Shah of Sarangpur were arrested before offering Satyagraha under Sec. 129(A) of the Defence of India Act. They have been removed to Sabarmati Jail.

In Karnatak:

HUBLI, Feb. 7.

Following are Satyagraha convictions:—

(Bijapur Dist.) Messrs. Hanmantappa Waded; Shivarai Valkoti, Basangouda Patil and Burapa Biradar six months' simple each.

(Dharwar Dist.) Messrs. Mahadevapa Ajagondanavar and Gurapa Waddar four months' each.

SOUTH KANARA:— Keshava Shinai, President of the Mangalore Town Congress Committee was sentenced to three months' S. I. and Rs. 200 fine. B. G. Kamat was sentenced to four months' R. I.

BELGAUM, Feb. 7.—Messrs. Gajanana Gayakawad of Sadalga, Negappa Booki of Chikkabagawedi, Sidgouda Patil of Bhoj and Shripad Khot of Bedhikal were sentenced to four months' simple imprisonment each and Messrs. Irappa Deshmane of Nipani and Shantinath Ingale of Sampgaon to six months' simple imprisonment each for offering Satyagraha.

Altogether 62 persons have been imprisoned so far in Belgaum District for offering Satyagraha.—A. P.

In Tamil Nad

Two Women Satyagrahis Arrested

GOBICHETTIPALAYAM, Feb. 7.

Srimatis Kaliammal and Muthulakshmi Ammal were arrested to-day for offering Satyagraha at Nambiyur.—

TRICHINOPOLY:—Mr. Krishna Sarma was arrested for offering Satyagraha to-day and was convicted by the Town Sub-Magistrate under the City Police Act and sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.—A. P.

MADURA:—Mr. R. Chidambara Bharathi, Member, Tamil Nadu Congress Working Committee, sentenced to six months' R. I.

In Andhra

MADRAS, Feb. 7.

A Guntur message says Mr. N. Chalapathi Rao, a prominent Congressman of the District who offered Satyagraha yesterday was sentenced to four months' R. I. and fine of Rs. 200 in default to further two months' R. I. He was placed in "B" class.—A. P.

A Bellary message says: Mr. K. Ramachandra Gupta, Secretary District Congress Committee, Bellary, and member, K. P. C. C. offered Satyagraha in his village on December 23 and again on February 3.

The following further convictions in connection with Satyagraha are reported from the Districts:—

YELLAMANCHILI:—Mr. Nemain Satyanarayana, Member, Andhra Provincial Congress Committee and A. I. S. A., President, Town Congress Committee, Yellamanchilli, sentenced to nine months' R. I. and fine of Rs. 250 in default further three months' R. I.

Mr. Bhavanishankar Atmaram Oza, the President of the Bhuleshwar District Congress Committee and a prominent merchant of Dana Bazar, Bombay, who was arrested on Friday.

GUNTUR:—Mr. N. Chalapathi Rao, a leading Congressman of the District offered Satyagraha to-day at Broadipet high road. The Police arrested him and took to the local sub-jail.

Earlier there was a spinning demonstration on Wardha Charkas by Mr. Konda Venkatapayya, M.L.A., and others.—A. P.

In New Delhi

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

Mr. Govind Saran, a Congressman and three Ahrar volunteers were arrested for offering Satyagraha by raising anti-war slogans. They were produced before the Additional District Magistrate who remanded them to Judicial lock-up till February 10 when they will stand for trial.—United Press.

Mr. Baburao Gholap, President of "D" Ward Congress Committee who was arrested on Friday morning.

Fifth Ahrar Dictator Arrested

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

Mr. Govind Saran, Maqbal Husain, fifth Dictator of the Majlis-I-Ahrar and two Ahrar volunteers were arrested to-day for offering Satyagraha.—A. P.

U. P. Convictions

MUZAFFARPUR, Feb. 7.

Mr. Jagadishnarain Singh, Secretary of the Thana Congress Committee, has been sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment for having offered Satyagraha at Sustamahmadpur.—A. P.

DEHRA DUN, Feb. 6.

Choudhury Hulas Varma, Vice-President, District Congress Committee was sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and Rs. 500 fine in default twelve months simple imprisonment under Rules 121 and 34 of the Defence of India Rules.

Babulal Varma, who was arrested yesterday for offering Satyagraha, was sentenced to day to nine months' rigorous imprisonment and Rs. 250 fine, in default three months' further rigorous imprisonment.—A. P

ALIGARH, Feb. 7.

Seth Shreechand Singhal, President of the District Congress Committee, was arrested under the Defence of India Rules, while returning after visiting the jail as a non-official visitor.—A. P.

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 7.

Messrs Sheo Kumar Pande, member, U.P.P.C.C., Bishrem Pande, Sobhanath Samdaria, Rampratap Singh and Baba Atmanand, Congress workers, were arrested under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

ARRESTED AT AJMER

AJMER, Feb. 7.

Mr. Bishembarnath Bhargava, Secretary, Ajmer Merwara Provincial Congress, was arrested yesterday under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

CONGRESS WORKER JAILED

JULLUNDUR, Feb. 5.

Kharaiti Ram, a Congress worker, has been sentenced for offering Satyagraha to one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 150 in default further imprisonment for six months.

Baba Karam Singh Bilga, another Congress worker, has been arrested under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

Three City Satyagrahis Arrested

Presidents Of 'C' And 'D' Ward Congress And Pandit R. Trivedi Taken To Nasik

BOMBAY, Friday.

Fifty-three Congressmen from the city of Bombay have so far been arrested in connection with the Satyagraha campaign started by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee.

According to the plans of the B.P.C.C., a further contingent of about 90 Congressmen will offer Satyagraha within the city area during the period ending April 5.

A brief respite of three days is being taken by the B.P.C.C. during the week-end and the next batch of three persons will offer Satyagraha in the city on Tuesday.

The batch includes Mr. Rudra Pratapsingh, Vice-President of the "F" Ward Congress Committee,

Mr. Mulji P. Shah, member of "B" Ward Congress Committee, who was arrested on Wednesday.

Mr. Batuk Desai, a city journalist, and member of the "D" Ward Congress Committee and Mr. Manohar Dinanath Dandekar, member of the "D" Ward Congress Committee.

A batch of three Satyagrahis from the city which was to have offered Satyagraha this evening, was arrested in the early hours of the morning. The batch included Mr. Bhawanishanker Ozha, President of the "C" Ward Congress Committee, Mr. Baburao Gholap, President of the "D" Ward Congress Committee and Pandit Rajaram Trivedi, member of the "C" Ward Congress Committee.

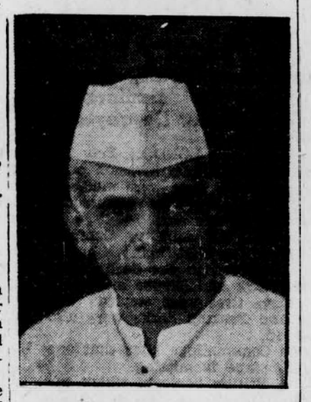
They were arrested at about 4-30 a.m. at their respective residences and later taken to Nasik for detention.

The Bombay Suburban District Congress Committee has decided to resume the Satyagraha campaign on Monday when Mrs. Maniben Parikh proposes to offer Satyagraha at Gandhi Chowk, Ghatkoper at 8 a.m.

SECURITY DEMAND REDUCED

CALCUTTA, February 6.

The security deposit of Rs. 1,000 demanded by the Government of Bengal from the "Archana", a monthly magazine, which has now ceased publication, under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act for the publication of an objectionable article entitled "Huq Ministry", has been reduced to Rs. 500, on the prayer of the printer and publisher of that paper.—United Press.



MR. PURSHOTTAMBHAI MULJI PATEL, President of Kalyan Town Congress Committee, who has been arrested.

Khan Sahib Offers Satyagraha Again

PESHAWAR, Feb. 7.

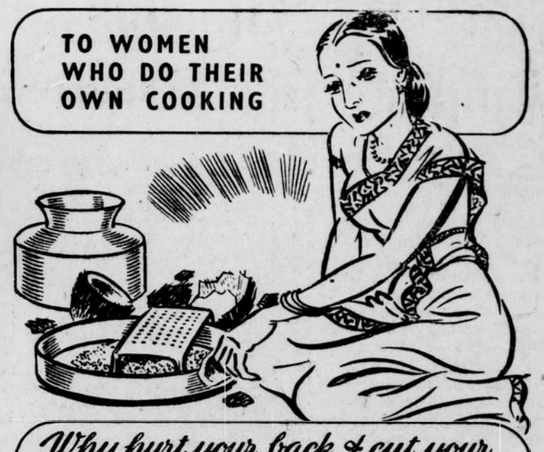
Dr. Khan Sahib, ex-Premier, was among those who offered Satyagraha in the Frontier Province yesterday.—A. P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

My list of books a young man should read has brought in a dozen letters from others who have other books to suggest. One Mr. Nekshat Khan of the St. Xavier's College Hostel says: "I have seen the list of books recommended in to-day's "Half-Column" by you—They are good but confined to literature and politics only. Looking to the complex world we are living in and considering the plurality of causes of any phenomena, I think the list is insufficient." He, therefore, sends a list of books which include "Anthropology" by Tylor, "Marks of An Educated Man" by Wiggan, "Whither Woman?" by Y.B. Rege, and "Yoga, Personal Hygiene" by Shri Yogendra. These are only four out of a long list he sends. Frankly my idea is that if ever you read books like these, you should not mention the fact except in whispers. What is so strange, however, is that after having read these "magnificent" books, my correspondent still spells "development" without the "t" and "triumphant" as "triumphan."

One other letter from amongst the others is from "Zoroastrian" No, Mr. Zoroastrian, I can't even mention the books you recommend for fear of any of my readers taking them seriously. I was asked by a young man to suggest a list for him—I did. It's my list and there is no obligation on anyone to read it. The books I suggested were with a view to cultivate an outlook on life—without which no young man is complete. The books you suggest only make mediocre men more mediocre. "How to think clearly" by Jepson! I ask you.

It is with sorrow that one hears of the death of Mr. Jehangir Gazdar, who was, perhaps, one of the best authorities on ancient art in India. He had from an early age devoted his time to a study of all phases of art as it flourished in the past. Mogul paintings, Chinese jade, the murals of Ajanta were his pet studies. Apart from this acquisition, he was a most likeable person, very sincere and genuine, quiet, unobtrusive and one who endeared himself to the hearts of young men. Those who knew him will feel his loss deeply. It is hoped that his sons will carry on the work, where he has left off and give us one day the benefit of his labours.



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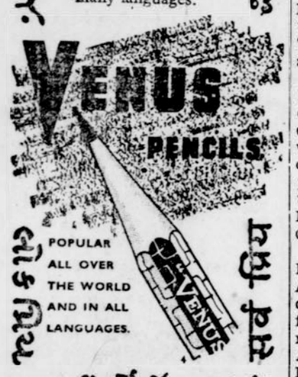

Jinnah's Tirade Against Azad Pact

Hopes Agreement Regarding Future Of Sind Ministry Won't Be Fulfilled

LEAGUE WILL HAVE NO HAND IN SUCH COALITION, HE SAYS

"The so-called Azad agreement is obviously intended to get rid of Mr. Bundeh Ali and put Khan Bahadur Alla Bux as the Premier and Sir Ghulam Hussein as a Minister, these being deadly opponents of the League, with the two Hindu Ministers, and thereby leaving only two members of the Muslim League in the Ministry, namely, Khan Bahadur Khurro and Shaik Abdul Majid in their individual capacity, and passing this show as a Coalition Ministry with the Muslim League," says Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, in a statement on the Sind Ministerial affairs.

TEXT OF STATEMENT

"The Hindu and the Congress Press is misrepresenting the situation in Sind day in and day out. The correct facts as I have been able to ascertain are as follows:—

"The Congress Party and the Hindu Independent Party concluded an agreement with few individual members of the Assembly, who belong to the Muslim League, on the basis of a so-called 21 points along the understanding that they will maintain the Mir Ministry for the remaining period of the Assembly.

"Prior to this agreement the Muslim League Party in the Assembly was disbanded as a condition precedent to the agreement forming the so-called League Ministry, consisting of Mir Bundeh Ali Khan, Shaik Abdul Majid, G. B. Khurro, Syed and two other Hindu Ministers.

"TREACHEROUS MANOEUVRES."

"Thereafter the Congress Party commenced its treacherous manoeuvres towards the Mir Ministry soon after this agreement was arrived at. Up to the present moment there has been no change in their attitude.

"And the Hindu Independent Party adopted the same attitude after some time under the cover of murders in Rohri Division. They having succeeded in getting the Muslim League Party being disbanded, the result was that only two Hindu parties functioned, namely the Congress and the Hindu Independent Party, which gave them a strength of about 21 together in a house of sixty. And with the help of Khan Bahadur Alla Bux and Sir Ghulam Hushain Hidayatullah and their individual following were in a dominant position in the Assembly and the Ministry consisting of Mir Bundeh Ali Khan, Shaik Abdul Majid and Syed and Khurro who were individual members of the League and without any League Party behind them were at the mercy of the dominant power of the Hindus. Thereafter the machinations went on and with the help of the President of the Congress, who arrived in Karachi they got rid of, by a fresh arrangement, Mr. Syed who was a member of the Muslim League and brought in Khan Bahadur Alla Bux in his place.

"SECRET" PACT.

"It is alleged there was some sort of agreement which was to be carried out on February 15. According to this agreement Bundeh Ali Khan was to resign and Ghulam Hussein Hidaytullah was to be installed in the Ministry and Alla Bux was to be the Premier. This agreements it is said is a secret agreement. Between whom this agreement was arrived at is a mystery yet. But one thing is clear from the facts that I have ascertained that Shaik Abdul Majid knew nothing about it, was no party to it, that there was no Muslim League Party in the Assembly, that the Working Committee or the Council of the Provincial Muslim League knew nothing about it and was not consulted by anybody. And the party most concerned, namely, Mir Bundeh Ali Khan, who is supposed to have agreed to resign on the 15th of February informs me that he was not a party to any such agreement and that he is under no obligation to resign.

AZAD "SHOW".

"The so-called Azad agreement is obviously intended to get rid of Mir Bundeh Ali and put Khan Bahadur Alla Bux as the Premier and Sir Ghulam Hussein as a Minister, these being deadly opponents of the League, with the two Hindu Ministers, and thereby leaving only two members of the Muslim League in the Ministry namely, Khan Bahadur Khurro and Shaik Abdul Majid in their individual capacity, and passing this show, as a Coalition Ministry with the Muslim League.

LEAGUE WON'T HAVE IT.

"The two individual Ministers have no Muslim League Party behind them in the Assembly and have no sanction of the Muslim League in the Province behind. In these circumstances it is impossible for the Muslim League to allow its name to be exploited and assume the responsibility of Ministry, simply because the two who happen to be members of the Muslim League are allowed to be in such a Ministry.

"In these circumstances if the Muslim League Ministers cannot carry on the Government, the only honourable course for them would be resign from the Ministry and sit on the Opposition benches. I am sure they would resign from such a Ministry, rather than resign from the League. But as individuals if they decide to continue, then the Muslim League cannot accept the responsibility of their passing off as League Ministers in the circumstances I have described above.

"And the Provincial Muslim League, who is the final authority to approve of the Coalition in the Assembly will have to consider whether it will not be a farce to call such a thing as Coalition, and consider what action they should take in the matter against any individual member of the Muslim League sharing the responsibility of such a Ministry.

BILLS JINNAH OBJECTS TO.

"As regards the introduction of Joint Electorates, I am glad that in deference to the universal Muslim opinion in the Province of Sind and outside, the Government have decided not to press on with these bills.

"I hope that even in borough municipalities where Joint Electorate Act has been already passed it will be suspended "sine die" and finally withdrawn as requested by the Working Committee of the Sind Provincial Muslim League recently.

JINNAH'S HOPES.

"I also hope that better counsels will prevail and the present personnel of the Ministry will not be disturbed; and that Alla Bux will not insist upon becoming the Premier nor would friends of Sir Ghulam Hussein insist upon his being brought in under the threat that otherwise the present Ministry will be broken.

"If such a thing happens the responsibility will rest with those who are bent upon causing disruption among the Muslims and those who are bent upon preventing the Muslim League Party being formed and functioning when the other two Hindu parties are left intact and free to function and working together hand in hand."—A. P.

Electrical Commission For India Govt.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

A new post of Electrical Commissioner with the Government of India has been created and Mr. H. M. Mathews has been appointed to it.

The Ministry of Supply Mission to India recommended to the Government of India the appointment of an Electrical Commissioner whose duty it will be to ensure that the efficiency of the electric supply undertakings in India is maintained during the war, and that ordnance factories and other factories engaged on important war work have their electrical systems so arranged as to be reliable and secure.

The office of the Electrical Commissioner has been established with that of the Director, General of Munitions Production, at 6, Esplanade East, Calcutta. Certain statutory powers under the Defence of India Rules are being conferred upon the Electrical Commissioner, who will, it is hoped, shortly get into touch with important electric supply undertakings in connection with his work.—A. P.

SICKNESS INSURANCE

Thomas On Need Of Preliminary Actuarial Investigations

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7

Before proceeding with any scheme of sickness insurance, the Government of India must undertake preliminary actuarial investigations by competent persons of practical experience, says Mr. J. H. Thomas, Superintendent of Insurance, in a note circulated to members of the second Labour Conference, which met here on January 27 and 28. Such investigations, he says, preceded the adoption of the National Health Insurance Scheme in the United Kingdom.

It may be stated as a corollary to this that no scheme should provide benefits which make it as profitable to malinger as to be at work, and in assessing 'profits' for this purpose the case must not be overlooked of the man who prefers idleness under the guise of sickness with small cash compensation to work with full wages.

Before profitable investigations can be undertaken the broad outlines of the scheme desired for India must be decided upon. I would stress particularly the need for simplicity and for confining its scope in the first instance to a few of the better organised industries, but these must nevertheless be ones not subject to seasonal employment.

After a few years of working the scheme may be found to require even considerable adjustment to maintain solvency. It should, therefore, be contemplated clearly as experimental in the early years.

INSURANCE ACT

Second Amending Bill To Remove Flaws

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7

The second of the two Bills to amend the Insurance Act which Government propose to bring before the budget session of the Central Assembly, is published in a Gazette of India Extraordinary today.

Containing 71 clauses it seeks among other things to provide for (1) grant of permission to the public to inspect or get copies on payment of a fee, of documents filed by insurers; (2) imposing on those types of business which though classed as miscellaneous insurance are susceptible in some degree of actuarial valuation, actuarial requirements as similar as may be to those to which life insurance business is already subject; (3) extension of the time for the submission of valuation returns under Section 15 in all cases to nine months.

APPEAL PERIOD

(4) Fixation of a time limit of three months within which appeals to court must be made against the orders of the superintendent of insurance; (5) extension of the power to order a revaluation under Section 22 to all valuations of insurers; (6) recovery of the expenses of investigations ordered under Section 33 as arrears of land revenue; (7) allowing the age of the insured to be proved at any time after the issue of a policy; (8) protection of the interests of the policy holders concerned when an insurer or a provident society ceases to carry on insurance business on the dividing principle; (9) extension of the principle of a guaranteed surrender value to whole-life policies also; (10) an amendment of Section 7 so as to allow the Reserve Bank to charge their normal commission on the scale of, or investment in, securities which they are required to sell or invest under that section on the request of an insurer.

In addition to these, several defects of a technical nature are also dealt with.—A. P.

Sind Assembly Budget Session

KARACHI, (By Mail).

The Sind Government Budget for the year 1941-42 will be presented in the Sind Assembly on 26th February. Two days, March 3rd and 4th, have been fixed for general discussion and eight days commencing from March 6th for voting.

Five days have been allotted for non-official business.—A. P.

Rajkot Thakore's Health

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Feb. 7.

Though the Thakore of Rajkot is reported to be getting better his condition, it is learnt, yet causes anxiety.

Sir Abdullah Haroon, President of the Sind Provincial Muslim League, will preside over the Muslim Students' Conference at Lyallpur commencing from 15th February.

Civil Service Candidates

No Written Examination This Year In London

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

It is understood that like last year there will be no written examination for I.C.S. in London this year also. It is, however, presumed that though no definite information is available that on the basis of interview test and academic qualifications, Public Service Commissioners in England will nominate a certain number of candidates.

Regarding the recent order issued by the Government of India laying down the new procedure for limiting the number of candidates for written examination, Delhi enquiries show that Government may watch the number of candidates appearing before Selection Committees, as against quotas, in order to see that no great disparity exists. One suggestion which has been made is that as in England, where minimum educational qualification has been laid down, viz., good Honours Degree, there should also be in India a similar qualification fixed as means of elimination. It appears this was considered by Government but it was not considered feasible at present as there are different standards of education in different Universities and in some there are no honours courses at all.

INDIA'S TERMS FOR TRADE PACT WITH BURMA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

It is learned that the Burma Delegation have to-day received a further communication amplifying and supplementing the Government of India's observations and counter-proposals as a result of their examination of the Burma proposals for a trade agreement.

It is expected that the Burma Delegation will send a reply to the Government of India to-morrow or the day after, and the position reached as a result of this exchange of communications will be discussed in detail by the Delegations from Monday or Tuesday onwards.

During their stay in Delhi, which is expected to last about a fortnight, the Burma Delegation are the Government of India's guests.—A. P.

KIDNAPPED PERSONS RELEASED

MIRANSHAH, Feb. 7.

Sundar Singh and Sadhu Singh of Kohat, Jaising of Jhelum and Ramchand, who were kidnapped from a mail lorry on the Kohat Road on December 23 by a gang including the notorious hostiles Mehrdil, Rabnawaz and Jallat, have been released through the efforts of the political authorities.

Jaylal of Delhi and Charanjilal of Patiala were also kidnapped at the same time. The former was wounded in the hold-up and was done to death soon afterwards. The latter was released subsequently.

The death of Shodikhel, a leading Daur hostile, in an engagement with the Tochi Scouts on Saturday last, has removed a figure who had lately become a nuisance to all in north Waziristan. Aircraft gave valuable support to the Scouts. The action continued to within a mile of Miranshah. About ten hostiles were killed.—A. P.

Frozen To Death In Afghanistan

PESHAWAR, Feb. 7.

Yet another report of a person being frozen to death owing to the severe cold in Afghanistan is published in the 'Islah" received today.

It is announced that traffic between Kabul and Ghazni and Kabul and Gardez, which had to remain suspended for some time owing to the passes being snowbound, has now been resumed with the help of snow-clearing tractors.

Winter rains are also reported from many parts in Afghanistan. An earthquake shock was experienced in South-Eastern Afghanistan on Wednesday morning. No report of any damage has so far been received.—A. P.

Mahadev Desai Back At Wardha

WARDHA, Feb. 7.

Mr. Mahadev Desai arrived here this evening from Delhi.

Mr. Takhatmal Jalori, Minister for Local Self-Government, Gwalior, saw Mahatma Gandhi this noon.—United Press.

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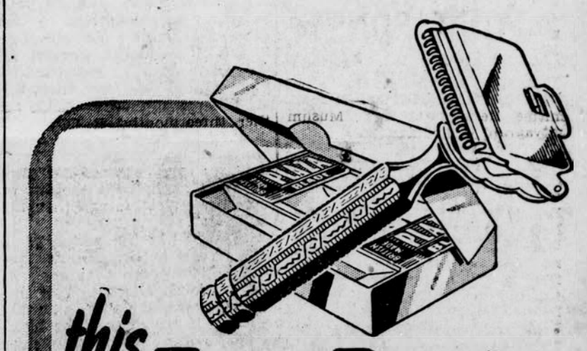
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'Rajanartaki' Comes To Opera House To-day

Nalini Jaywant in 'Radhika'

NALINI JAYWANT'S DEBUT IN FILMS

Director Virendra Desai of National Studios tried a bold experiment when he put an unknown, and unheard of girl in the leading role in his new picture, 'Radhika'—now completed and due for release after 'Puja.' It was an experiment which few Directors in India have tried and only rarely done even in Hollywood, the spiritual headquarters of the world's film industry.

After many, rigorous tests, Mr. Virendra Desai was convinced that his new find would do credit to herself if entrusted with an important role. Nature had endowed her liberally with the essential attributes of grace and beauty which had been amplified by the training in music and dancing she had undergone and her face and voice were found to be admirably suited to screen purposes.

The way that she has put over the part was a surprise even to Director Virendra Desai. She has lived—rather than acted her role—that of a little waif, discovered on his temple steps by a Mahant and brought up by him, with only the thought of God in her mind. She embodies the real spirit of Hindu India. The deep religious consciousness of that is inherent in the Hindu mind has been translated with the greatest possibe reality to the screen by the genius of Director Virendra Desai. But it is doubtful whether he would have been as successful as he has been if had any other artiste than Nalini Jaywant to present his ideas. As she appears in 'Radhika' she is a Hindu girl, not exactly modern, untouched by any influences save that of her guru and her God, between the two of whom her entire life and thoughts are divided.

The world in the person of a lover glances at her, but her spirituality is so deep that she is not very much affected. With this background 'Radhika' is naturally a picture in which only the highest ideals are shown, a picture which everyone from childhood to old age without distinction of sex or creed can see and enjoy. There is nothing in it which will not be understood and appreciated by anyone.

Jog And Malvankar

In response to the persistent public demand Damuanna Malvankar and Jog, the stars of "Lagna Pahave Karoon" are coming down to Bombay and will appear personally on the stage at New West End today (Saturday) in 7 p.m. show. Both the stars will be honoured on behalf of the city goers and they will address the gathering.

SUNDAY SHOW AT METRO

On Sunday, February 9th at 10 a.m. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's hilarious comedy, "It's a Wonderful World" will be shown. Claudette Colbert and James Stewart are the chief stars.

Leela Desai in 'Nartaki' at Minerva.

"Padosi" Must Be Studied, Step By Step And Star By Star

Live Characters That Continue To Live In Our Experience

Director Shantaram has given us three films in the "social" class so far, and each one has stood out from the common run of film fare. "Duniya-na-Mane" was distinguished for its intensity of passion; "Admi" for its progressive interest and powerful alternation of sentiment; and now "Padosi" distinguishes itself by an almost sensational freedom of imagination, and the alternating ease and rapidity of its action. There is an astonishing force of genius in all the three films; and the variety they represent is not the less interesting.

The variety and originality of the Shantaram productions are born of an adherence to truth and human nature. What he presents on the screen, goes home to our hearts and becomes part of own experience, as if we had long known the men and the places he depicts.

Since Shantaram attempts to make his films embodiments of real life, any general criticism of them becomes useless. He must be accompanied step by step, to appreciate those unobtrusive graces which mark all work of merit and which escape the superficial observer. His films abound in countless indications of the creative spirit which is recognised best by those who place themselves under its influence. So that, the question is not how much Shantaram has succeeded in a picture; the question is how much one has been able to understand him.

See, for instance, how he begins his stories. He excels in that art. "Duniya-na-Mane" commenced with a children's play, in which a young girl was to marry an old man; the girl who played the bride forgot her role, and declined to be wedded to the supposed old man. It was at once an eloquent introduction to, and a powerful summary of the story of the film itself.

"Admi" commenced with marching feet, symbolising the theme and the moral of the story—life must go on.

"Padosi" begins with spring flowers, leading to a scene of sweet homes and sweet minds, smiling trees and smiling men and women and children; a scene altogether so joyful that we cannot resist a premonition of the wind and the storm in store.

With this background firmly established, we are prepared for the drift between the two neighbours; but we cannot, again, help being carried away by the very vehemence of the events that follow, as Thakur and Mirza are driven by a violent fate like two vessels on a stormy sea.

It is not one continuous gale either. There are lulls, almost frightening in their silence. Who can bear to see Mirza (so exquisitely played by Jagirdar) holding his hookah in baffling contemplation of his position as head of the Jury set up to try Thakur's son; who can bear to see the withered hand slowly drawn to the mouth, but empty—without the hookah pipe? That little scene at the end of the trial, when Mirza secures Gokul's private assurance of innocence, is mellow in its appearance and quiet in the tone of its dialogues; but it is almost more powerfully affecting than the stormy quarrel that ensues between Thakur and Mirza.

The sentiments in these scenes are intense. They are also expressive of personality. When the parrot repeats Thakur's name in Mirza's new house, the old man wants to dash the bird in his fury; but his sense of humour is still alive; so that, when the parrot shouts its familiar slogan "Coward!", Mirza replaces the cage. Then follows the beautiful little soliloquy which, in the present writer's experience, have been appropriately used in films. Mirza mumbles to himself: "Coward, am I? Did I not offer to give up all I had for Thakur? And yet the man insulted me! How I loved Him! I still do feel like going back to him. But I will not go!" There, in a nutshell, we have Mirza's character laid bare—a loving, generous heart controlled by a strong ego.

It is a tribute to Shantaram that his characters give room for enquiry and study. They are not just patterns but live people, each with a distinct individuality. They continue to live, in our minds, beyond the dramatic conditions which gave them birth.

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CENTRAL—"Padosi" and its Marathi version "Shejari", starring Datey and Jagirdar in the latter and Mazharkhan and Jagirdar in the former. Jayashree takes leading role as girl star in Marathi version and Anis Khatoon in Hindustani. (Third week).

KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat," Prakash's season's Hit featuring Vishnupant Pagnis and Durga Khote, with Aundhkar, Vimla Vashishta and Ram Marathe in Hindustani. Full of fine songs devotional and others, also stunts. (22nd week).

LAMINGTON—"Qaidi", Film Corporation's fine picture in which Ramola and Nandrekar are starring. (9th week).

MAJESTIC — "Punarmilan" of Bombay Talkies, starring Kishore Shahu and Snehaprabha. Excellent dances. (7th week).

MINERVA — "Nartaki", Devki Bose's new picture by New Theatres. Reminiscent of "Vidyapati", Leela Desai's excellent dances Najmal Hussain acts opposite. Beautiful music by Pankaj Mullick. (8th week).

OPERA HOUSE— "Rajnartaki" Wadia's first trilinguar picture. Sadhona Bose, Prithwiraj and Ahin Chawdhry starring. Beautiful dances (1st week).

PATHE—"Puja," National Studio's new release in which Sardar Akhtar, Sitara and Jyoti have been starred. A story of mother love. (7th week).

ROXY—Bombay Talkies' 'Bandhan," starring Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar with V. H. Desai, Suresh, etc. Very entertaining. (25th week).

WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe karoon" with Damuanna Malvankar in stellar role. Rollicking humour with support from Jog and Vimal. (8th week).

SUNDAY SHOW AT REGAL

"When To-Morrow Comes" with Charles Boyer and Irene Dunne will be shown at the Regal on Sunday at 10-30 a.m.

Rai Bahadur Chuni Lall.

Film Industry Man As Censor

Rai Bahadur Chunilal, General Manager of the Bombay Talkies Ltd., Vice-President of the Motion Picture Society of India and Member of the Film Advisory Board, has been nominated by Government on the Bombay Board of Film Censors as sole representative of the film industry.

It will be recalled that the Board, last year, had representatives of the different branches of the industry, but that in the New Board appointed in August last, no representative of the industry was included. As a result of representations made by the Motion Picture Society and the Producers' Association, Government agreed to nominate one representative. With only one man to represent the several branches of the industry, it is only appropriate that the choice fell on Rai Bahadur Chuni Lall, whose knowledge of the Motion Picture Industry in India, is as extensive as it is thorough.

SUNDAY SHOW AT CAPITOL

"Rosemarie," with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy will be shown at the Capitol on Sunday morning at 10-30.

Sadhona Bose in 'Rajnartaki' coming to Opera House to-day.

First Picture Of India In English

Sadhona Bose And Prithviraj As Chief Stars

What is real happiness? Is there any one thing in the world which gives happiness to man in the real sense of the word? Some say it is riches. Some believe it is divine love, and sages think it is renunciation. But is there anything like this happiness at all?—"Rajnartaki" answers this question at Royal Opera House today. It is the first picture of India in English, Hindustani and Bengali and produced by Wadias. The Hindustani version is coming to Opera House.

Prince Chandrakirti of Manipur was loved and respected by the subjects. He loved them in return. Old King Jaising had ruled for over 25 years and was now going on a pilgrimage to spend the rest of his life. Chandrakirti was to ascend the throne. All future hopes of the people were centred round the prince who was their ideal. So they expected him to marry the Princess of Tripura. The offer of the hand of the princess had come and the old king Jaising was happy. So were the subjects. A Durbar was to be held to proclaim this good news to the loyal subjects.

The news reached Kashishwar of Nawadwip. He came to bless the nation.

The Durbar was held—Rajnartaki (Court Dancer) Madhuchhanda danced. She danced, not on the soft carpets of the Durbar hall but on the hearts of the audience. Praise of her art was on every lip.

The news of the marriage of Prince Chandrakirti and the Princess of Tripura was announced. The whole of Manipur greeted it with delight—except two souls. Chandrakirti and Rajnartaki. To them the news was piercing as a dagger in their heart. Why? Love between the prince and the Rajnartaki was divine. Also it was a case of love at first. Several years had passed since the Rajnartaki who was going in a palanquin had met the prince by chance, under romantic circumstances, and then they had fallen in love.

Rajnartaki could not bear the blow. She went to her garden,—the place where the tender plant of their romance had grown and flowered. The prince followed her. "I will marry you"—in one sentence he quelled all the raising currents of her conflicting emotions. The Rajnartaki was pleased, pleased beyond her expectations.

Her excitement knew no bounds. She told her friends Priya and Riya the princess' decision to marry her. The two in turn revealed the news to their lovers. They spread it in the whole of Manipur until it reached the King.

The King was non-plussed. He attempted to dissuade the Prince. The subjects did not want a lover. The King did not want a son. They all wanted a prince to marry the princess of Tripura—to ascend the throne and keep the traditions of the ancient kingdom.

No one cared for what was raging in the young hearts of the lovers. "Keep Rajnartaki and the Prince apart"—The very atmosphere rang with these words. All efforts were concentrated to achieve this. The King failed. The public pleaded in vain. Friends of the prince did not succeed. The bondage of divine love could not be broken. The prince stuck to his decision to marry the Court Dancer.

Kashishwar undertook the impossible task. He knew he had to tear apart two innocent hearts. But he had to achieve it for greater cause. His approach was different. He went to Rajnartaki. She was in the ruined temple on the outskirt of the city—praying to the diety.

"The prince belongs to his subjects, leave him alone," he argued with the girl. But all his wits failed. "If you marry the prince, his life will be in danger; Tripura will invade Manipur, imagine then, the fate of your Chandrakirti".—The innocent girl could not bear it. She loved the prince and it was immaterial whether she was united to him in this material world—or not—She decided.

So, when Chandrakirti came to her to elope somewhere it was a different Madhuchhanda that he found—The woman in her had vanished. She was a mere Rajnartaki. She declined to marry him if he abdicated!

The prince returned dejected. Not aware of what Kashishwar had achieved, a mad crowd of people rushed to destroy Rajnartaki and her house. They were instigated to remove her from the path of the prince.

Kashishwar knew she was innocent. He warned the prince about the situation. He admitted that he was responsible for Madhuchhanda's refusal to marry the prince. The infuriated crowd gathered round the house of the dancer—Chandrakirti ran to her rescue.....What happened afterwards had better be seen on the Royal Opera House Screen

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CITY POLICE CHAMPIONS

Final Hockey League Tables

Below are given the League Tables for all sections. The City Police are the heroes of the First Division, real hard and thrustful hockey getting them there. The Y. M. C. A. and Lusitanians "A" earned an equal number of points in the X Section of the II Division. The Y. M. C. A., however, get the place of honour, thanks to goal average. The B. B. and C. I. Railway "B" finish on top of Y. Section of Division II. Goal average again does the needful in the Z Section of the Lower Division. They and the R. I. N. (A. and A.) scored 14 points. The Navy men had a lesser goal average.

Final Hockey League Tables

(FIRST DIVISION.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Ag.	Pts.
City Police	7	6	0	1	11	4	12
B. B. and C. I. "A"	7	5	1	1	13	7	11
Customs	7	4	1	2	10	6	9
Young Sports	7	3	1	3	8	7	7
G. I. P. (Hq.)	7	2	2	3	6	7	6
"Times of India"	7	2	1	4	6	10	5
Lusitanians. "B"	7	2	0	5	10	11	4
H. V. M. Sports "C"	7	1	0	6	7	19	2

(II DIV. X SECTION.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Ag.	Pts.
Y. M. C. A.	7	6	1	0	29	4	13
Lusitanians "A"	7	6	1	0	19	4	13
Britannia S. C.	7	4	1	2	12	6	9
Telephone Coy.	7	3	1	3	12	13	7
"Times of India" "B"	7	1	3	3	6	15	5
Khatan S. C.	7	0	3	4	3	7	3
R. E. (A. F. I.)	7	1	1	5	5	14	3
Law Ramblers	7	1	1	5	3	26	3

(II DIV. Y. SECTION.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Ag.	Pts.
B. B. and C. I. "B"	7	7	0	0	29	2	14
B. E. S. T.	7	6	0	1	22	10	12
Bhimraj S. C.	7	5	0	2	10	10	10
Bombay City	7	3	1	3	19	13	7
Burma Shell	7	2	1	4	10	10	5
R. I. N. (Depot)	7	2	0	5	13	19	4
Port Trust	7	2	0	5	7	18	4
Elphinstone College	7	0	0	7	1	29	0

(II DIV. Z SECTION.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	Ag.	Pts.
St. Xavier's College	8	6	2	0	26	2	14
R. I. N. (A. and A.)	8	6	2	0	24	4	14
Cathedral O. B.	8	4	2	2	15	13	10
Parsi Cyclists	8	2	4	2	7	13	8
Heavy Battery	8	3	1	4	14	10	7
Reserve Bank	8	3	1	4	4	8	7
G. I. P. (Works)	8	2	2	4	9	9	6
Christ Church and Barnes	8	2	1	5	2	15	5
Tata S. C.	8	0	1	7	4	31	1

Provincial Hockey Championship

The Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship starts to-morrow, February 8. The following are the fixtures for the week-end:—

February 8—4 p.m. Suburban District Police vs. St. Xavier's College "B"; 5 p.m. Cathedral Old Boys vs. St. Xavier's College "A".

February 9—4 p.m. Lusitanians "B" vs. Kirkee Ammunition Factory; 5 p.m. Customs vs. Kirkee Sportsman's Club.

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WORLD OF SPORT: HOME AND ABROAD

Pentangular Tournament Again

(By LOOKER-ON)

According to routine, the Pentangular Tournament Committee has arranged the fixtures for the Annual Cricket Festival to be held next Winter and they are as follows:—

Muslims v. The Rest—December 13, 14 and 15.

Parsis v. Europeans—December 16, 17 and 18.

Hindus v. The Rest or Muslims—December 19, 20 and 21.

Final—December 23, 24, 25 and 26.

From the above it would seem that the Pentangular is going to be held as usual and that too on the communal basis. But who can tell what will happen in the long run?

WHAT ABOUT ZONE PENTANGULAR?

Many people are curious to know why the Pentangular Committee did not consider the possibilities of substituting the communal formation of teams by a healthier one. The scheme for the Inter-Zone Competition has been before the public for some time. It deserves to be considered seriously in all its aspects. I understand the matter cannot be taken up by the Pentangular Committee unless the Gymkhanas whom they represent authorise them to do so. I doubt very much if any of these Gymkhanas, imbued as they are with communal spirit, would prefer to give up their favourite Tournament and replace it with something else, however healthier it might be.

MOVE AT HINDU GYMKHANA

I understand a move will be shortly made at the Hindu Gymkhana to request the Hindu Representative Matches Committee to approach the Pentangular Tournament Committee to change the communal complexion of the Tournament. How far the move will succeed I cannot say. Because many of those who supported the last resolution for the withdrawal of the Hindu team from the Pentangular are actually in favour of continuation of the Communal form. They seem to have voted for the resolution only to uphold the prestige of Mahatma Gandhi! I may be wrong in my surmise. When the question comes before the General Body again, the truth will be out.

DECCANI CLUBS' HOPES

In the meanwhile some of the Deccani Clubs in the City which have grouped themselves into a Union of Hindu Clubs have levelled a revolver at the head of the Hindu Gymkhana. It appears that they have approached the Pentangular Committee with a request that the constitution of the Pentangular be so amended that in case the Hindu Gymkhana withdrew from the Tournament they should be permitted to put up the Hindu team. They wanted to do it last season but they were foiled in their attempt. I do not think the Pentangular Committee would dare to alter the rules in the manner suggested above. Because it is sure to raise a hornet's nest about them.

BOMBAY'S TRIUMPH

Coming to the Inter-University Cricket Tournament, the final of which was played in Bombay last week, Bombay scored a resounding victory against Benares and equalled the distinction attained by the Punjab of winning the Championship for three years in succession. For this magnificent result—a triumph by an innings and 168 runs—Bombay owes a debt to H. R. Adhikari, R. S. Cooper, S. G. Sindhe and S. W. Sohoni. They contributed handsomely to make up the robust total of 492 runs. The first two recorded a century each in their favour, and the third narrowly missed the coveted mark.

BENARES' FAILURE

The visitors made a poor show with their bats. With exception of J. R. Phansalkar and S. Khwaja who compiled 66 and 37 respectively, none of the batsmen could face the Bombay bowlers with confidence. M. N. Raijee dismissed five of them for 44 runs only. It was a good bit of work and paved the way for the downfall of Benares.

Faced with a huge deficit of 318 runs the visitors were not expected to avoid an innings' defeat. It stands, however to the credit of B. K. Garudachar that he made a gallant effort to save it. But his colleagues failed miserably, and they were routed without any serious challenge. His 61 out of a total of 150 was highly praiseworthy.

FLY IN THE OINTMENT

It is really very gratifying to Bombay that its University is at the top of Indian cricket to-day but it must be remembered that it covers a wide area—the whole of the Bombay Presidency and Sind. That is due to the fact that the Bombay University holds sway over this region in educational matters. I should not be at all surprised if a team selected from this City alone holds its own against any of the outside teams. This augurs well for the "urbs prima in Indis." The only fly in the ointment was the absence of large crowds in the final match. Public enthusiasm was almost at zero point which does little credit to the student community of Bombay. I hope the tournament will be so arranged next season that the students may support it fully without any excuse.

IS IT A LEAGUE?

I understand the Cricket Clubs of Bombay are going to meet at the Cricket Club of India on Tuesday next to arrange their programme for the ensuing season. But what about the League Tournament the Bombay Cricket Association has been cogitating over for a long time? The clubs should decide to start one themselves if they cannot persuade the B. C. A. to do so. The present system of friendly matches is a farce. Few people take them seriously. It is therefore high time that a competition should be inaugurated which will give plenty of scope and impetus to the rising generation. I hope there will be some people in the meeting who will guide it to constructive channels.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S RACES

By "ORR"

A card of eight events has been provided for to-day's War Fund Meeting at Mahaluxmi. Fields are moderate in all the events.

Golden Mantle, in spite of his inconsistent running, of late, should have a big say in the Army and Navy Cup, the chief event in the programme. Engaged and Valkyrian should finish prominently. The following are the selections for the day:

1st Race 2-30 P.M.
BANASH SAGBAN 1.
MUJALLI 2.
RAFAT BEG F.

2nd Race 3 P.M.
TWINE 1.
LAXMIDHAR 2.
FAIRY QUEEN F.

3rd Race 3-30 P.M.
ODORANTE 1.
RATHAVON 2.
SUGAR BABY F.

4th Race 4 P.M.
GILDEROY 1.
LANGDON 2.
SPOTLIGHT F.

5th Race 4-30 P.M.
BISHARIN 1.
BOBBY IN THE BARN 2.
LIMEJUICE F.

6th Race 5 P.M.
AVON SONG 1.
MULTYFARNHAM 2.
GREETINGS F.

7th Race 5-30 P.M.
GOLDEN MANTLE 1.
ENGAGED 2.
VALKYRIAN F.

8th Race 6 P.M.
CAN YOU 1.
WALK OVER 2.
SALLAL PASHA F.

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ODORANTE
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Daily Treble
BISHARIN
GOLDEN MANTLE
CAN YOU.

RACE DAY FOR WAR GIFTS FUND

BOMBAY, Friday.

A considerable addition to the Bombay War Gifts Fund is expected from the special race day arrange by the Royal Western India Turf Club to-morrow.

The Turf Club itself is lending the course, stands and services of its permanent staff and is handing its usual commission to the Fund. The temporary staff engaged for race days have agreed to work for half their usual wage, the judge (Mr. H. F. Chard) and the auditors (Messrs. A. F. Ferguson and Co.) have remitted their fees, the caterers (Messrs. Brandon and Co.) are giving a donation of Rs. 300, and the Bombay Police Band is giving its services free.

The Bombay Government has agreed to remit the entertainment duty and to refund the betting tax.

New Delhi Hockey

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

In the first round of the Yadavindra Hockey Tournament this afternoon the Independent "A" defeated the Khalsa S. C "B" by two goals to nil and the New Delhi Heroes defeated the Army Headquarters by one goal to nothing.—A. P.

Ranji Trophy Tournament

GOPALAN SCORES CENTURY FOR MADRAS AGAINST U. P.

MADRAS, Feb. 7.

The Ranji Trophy Semi-Final between Madras and United Provinces which began, to-day, on the M.C.C. grounds, Madras, batting first, had made 68 for one wicket at 12 noon.

At lunch time Madras had made 114 for the loss of four wickets. Johnstone 37 and Ramsingh 43 not out.

At tea time Madras had made 231 for eight wickets, Ramsingh out 91 and Gopalan not out 62.

Two fine efforts by Ramsingh and Gopalan were features of the play after lunch. Ramsingh, after starting very cautiously, took heavy toll of the tired bowling. He was batting altogether for three hours for his ninety-one and had hit twelve fours. Although missing his century by nine runs, he had the satisfaction of having retrieved his side's chances at a difficult period.

It was Gopalan, however, who gave the U. P., bowlers most trouble. Adopting bold tactics he never let a scoring chance go unattempted, and some of his strokes were distinguished by great power. While Gopalan was thus punishing the bowlers in his own way, the other wickets were falling steadily and when the second century appeared on the board eight batsmen had been returned. Gopalan then was only 46. But, thereafter, he claimed 55 out of the 71 added and made sure of his century before the last wicket fell. It was a great innings extending over full three hours. Gopalan's chief hits were two sixes and nine fours.

The U. P., team lost their first wicket at one and soon afterwards the stumps were drawn for the day.

Scores:—

MADRAS (1ST INNINGS)

C. P. Johnstone, b Aftab Ahmed	37
V. N. Madhava Rao, c Maqbul Alam b Salaudin	10
A. G. Ramsingh c Alexander, b Aftab Ahmed	91
B. S. Bhadradri, c Maqbul Alam, b Aftab Ahmed	3
R. Nailer, l.-b.-w., b Aftab Ahmed	10
M. J. Gopalan, not out	101
G. Parthasarathi, l.-b.-w., b Palia	3
N. J. Venkatesan, b Palia	0
J. A. G. C. Law, l.-b.-w, b Aftab Ahmed	0
B. S. Krishna Rao, c Maqbul Alam, b Salaudin	7
C. R. Rangachari, b Palia	0
Extras	9
Total	271

Fall of Wickets:—1/24, 2/72, 3/78, 4/101, 5/194, 6/197, 7/197, 8/206, 9/244, 10/271.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Alexander	15	1	46	0
Salaudin	12	1	40	2
Firasat Hussain	11	1	29	0
Palia	23.5	11	41	3
Aftab Ahmed	27	4	46	5
Murti	3	1	10	0

UNITED PROVINCES (1ST INNINGS)

E. Alexander, c Nailer, b Ramsingh	..
A. N. Murti, not out	2
B. K. Garudachar not out	0
Extras	0
Total (for one wicket)	2

MUSLIMS WIN TRIANGULAR

First Innings' Lead Decision: Bhaya Again In Limelight

AMRITSAR, Feb. 7.

The Muslims won the final of the All-India Triangular Cricket Tournament in aid of the War Fund defeating the Rest on the first innings total.

The Rest to-day met with a series of disasters losing three wickets with only forty on the board. Rai Singh and Bhaya, however, retrieved the position somewhat both playing bright cricket. At lunch the pair was still at the crease, Bhaya not out 73 and Rai Singh not out 33.

Bhaya twice drove Amir Elahi to the cover boundary and Rai Singh at the other end drove Anwar for a four. With an excellent boundary to extra cover Bhaya reached his century. Soon after the 200 of the innings were hoisted, the fifth wicket partnership was broken, Ahmed Khan successfully appearing against Rai Singh for l.-b.-w., when he stood with 57. The Bhaya-Rai Singh partnership contributed 164 runs (204/5/57).

Hazra Singh, who joined Bhaya, was clean bowled by Amir Elahi for nine (231/6/9.)

With the arrival of Quayle, Bhaya's great innings terminated, Ahmed Khan spread eagling his middle stump for 116. The outgoing batsman had played a sparkling innings which was characterised by a variety of excellent strokes and his score included twelve fours.

The Rest second innings concluded soon after resumption of tea interval for 214. Before close of day's play the Muslims had scored 54 for loss of three wickets. Amir Elahi who was not out with 32. This included a six off Amar Nath.

Scores:—

THE REST (1ST INNINGS) 201
THE MUSLIMS (1ST INNINGS) 399
THE REST (SECOND INNINGS).

Tarapore, run out 2; Imtinan, c Gulmohd b Amir Elahi 19; Ashraf, c Nissar 0; Amar Nath c Gulmohd b Ahmad Khan 12; Bhaya, b Ahmed Khan 116; Rai Singh l.-b.-w b Ahmed Khan 57; Hazra Singh, b Amir Elahi 9; Quayle, c Ahmed Khan b Amir Elahi 5; Robathan b Nazar Mohd. 1; Gwyn c Nissar b Amir Elahi 6; Westwood not out 23; extras 24; total 276.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: Mohmd. Nisar one for 43; Ahmed Khan three for 43; Amir Elahi four for 107; Nazar one for 65; Nazar Ali nil for 7.

MUSLIMS (SECOND INNINGS)

Rahman, c Rai Singh, b Amar Nath 3; Ahmed Khan run out 7; Nazar l.-b.-w, b Tarapore 1, Amir Elahi, not out 32; Gul Mohd not out 3; extras 8; total (for three wickets) 54.

BOWLING ANALYSIS: Amar Nath 1 for 26; Rai Singh nil for 9; Tarapore 1 for 11.—A. P.

Triangular Cricket

THE REST MAKE 146 FOR 4

AMRITSAR, Feb. 7.

On the third day's play in the All-India Triangular Cricket final, the Rest had scored 146 for four wickets at lunch (Bhaya not out 73, Rai Singh not out 33). A. P

All-India Lawn Tennis

Allahabad, Feb. 7

In the All-India Central Lawn Tennis Tournament D. N. Capoor qualified for the final this afternoon when he defeated Gyanchand in straight sets

Following are the results:—

MEN'S SINGLES

Sohanlal beat R C Gupta 6—1, 6—4
D N Capoor beat Gyanchand 6—2, 7—5

MEN'S DOUBLES

Sohanlal and Partner beat Raja Dutta and Gyanchand 6—2, 7—5

MIXED DOUBLES

Miss Woodbridge and Capoor beat Miss Bhadwar and S K Varma 6—3, 6—4

Mrs. Masse and Brook Edwards beat Raja Dutta and Mrs Lochner 6—2, 6—3

Miss H Faiduz Zafar and S K Mukerjee beat Mrs. McGuire and R N Banerjee 6—4, 6—2

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SATYAGRAHA AGAINST CASTE HINDUS POSTPONED

Sequel To Congress Harijan Talks

DEHRA DUN, Feb. 6.

A compromise has been reached between Congress and Harijan leaders in Garhwal District following a free and frank discussion.

Thakur Pratapsingh Negi, President, Garhwal Satyagraha Committee, and other leaders, it is understood, have undertaken the responsibility to escort the Harijan marriage party which is held up at Maindoli since the beginning of January to its destination.

Ten days later another marriage party of Harijans which is held up at Binjoli since December last will be escorted to its destination by Congress leaders

Meanwhile the Harijans have decided to postpone the proposed Satyagraha against caste Hindus in deference to the wishes of Congress leaders. Garhwal Congress leaders are also meeting in a Conference at Hilongi on Feb 13 when this question will be examined in the light of the new developments.—A. P

MAHARASHTRA ART CONVENTION

POONA, Feb. 7.

The eighth session of the Maharashtra Art Convention will be held here at the Tilak Smarak Mandir on February 8 and 9.—A. P.

SWADESHI CLOCKS FOR GOVT. HOUSE

KARACHI, Feb. 7.

Thirty-two swadeshi electric clocks made in Bombay are being installed in the new Government House at Karachi.—A. P.

HANDLOOM & MILL INDUSTRIES

Fact Finding Committee's Discussions At Lucknow

LUCKNOW, Feb. 6.

Dr. P. J. Thomas, President and Mr. B. P. Adarkar, Secretary of the Fact Finding Committee on the Handloom and Mill Industries appointed by the Central Government arrived here from Delhi this morning.

Dr. P. J. Thomas and Mr. Adarkar held discussions with Dr. Radhakamal Mukerjee in the morning and Mr. N. C. Mehta, Secretary, Industries Department, U. P. Government, in the afternoon. They are expected to stay here till February 8 during which period they will visit the U. P. Government's handloom emporium and other industrial institutions.—A. P.

ADULTERATION IN MILK & BUTTER

How It Can Be Detected: Polson's Hints To Consumers

Congratulating the Bombay Humanitarian League for coming forward to fight out the great menace of adulteration in milk, butter and ghee at the Conference held at Madhav Baug on Tuesday Mr. M. P. Polson said that they would be doing a unique service to mankind and their country if they stopped that nefarious practice indulged by unscrupulous manufacturers.

Continuing Mr. Polson said:

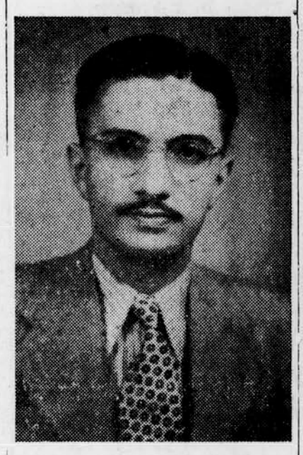
Being personally interested in the butter industry, this Conference has given me an opportunity to express my views and ventilate my grievances on the subject matter of adulteration in butter.

The common method adopted by so-called butter manufacturers for adulterating their products, is addition of vegetable oil and incorporation of very excessive moisture percentage than stipulated by the Law.

This nefarious practice of adulteration correctly speaking, begins from villages, where the small cream merchants for the sake of profiteering, add vegetable oils in their cream for being sold to the dairies When this is done, such adulterated cream comes naturally to the town dairies for being manufactured into butter.

UNSCRUPULOUS DAIRYMEN

Some unscrupulous Dairymen, with a view to get more profit on their production, further add 75 per cent to 80 per cent. vegetable oil in their butter, made out of the above already adulterated cream and in addition in-



Mr. M. P. Polson

corporate moisture to the extent of 50 to 160 per cent. more against 16 per cent. moisture as laid down in the butter trade. These facts have been borne out by cases conducted in the courts.

Such highly adulterated butter on the merit of cheapness is being used and retained by restaurant-keepers who serve the same to the eating public and moreover to the consumers with a view to derive substantial profit for themselves.

I am, therefore, of the opinion, that the first thing to be done is to remove this root cause which can only be done by two methods.

In European countries, if cream is detected as adulterated and when such cream is rejected, a harmless dye is used which is such that it could be easily detected and cannot be removed, so that such cream could not be used or be sent again for the same purpose.

If, therefore, a provision is made in this country to give some such colour to vegeable oil, it would deter the use of such adulterants Such harmless dyes could be recommended by any reputed chemists.

Secondly, the existing laws should be made more stringent and it should be seen that the same is carried out to the letter by the Magistracy and the Municipal Authorities, by imposing heavy fines and even in certain cases severe imprisonment.

SUPPORT JAMNADAS MEHTA

Hindu Mahasabha President's Appeal To Voters

POONA, Feb. 7.

Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, President Maharashtra Provincial Hindu Mahasabha and Working President of the Democratic Swaraj Party has issued an appeal to all voters to give solid support to Mr. Jamnadas Mehta who is contesting one of the two seats in the Central Legislature from the Central Division of the Bombay province on behalf of the Hindu Mahasabha and the Democratic Swaraj Party.—A. P.

City Muslims Observe Moharrum

Ladies Hold Meetings; Shops Remain Closed

BOMBAY, Friday.

To-day was the last day of Muharrum which the Muslims observe with great solemnity. Sherbat and Iced water were distributed freely in the booths in different parts of the city. All the Muslim shops were closed and Police Officers and constables were placed at Nul Bazar, Pydhoni, Bhendi Bazar and near J. J. Hospital to maintain peace and order.

The Muharram this year was observed as usual for ten days in prayer and sermons by eminent Maulanas and Maulvis who were invited from U.P. and the Punjab. Ladies also took very keen interest this year and held meetings exclusively for Muslim women in the Anjuman-e-Islam Girls School at Bellasis Road where Lady Rama Rao, Dr Mrs. Gilder and Mrs. K. Sayani spoke on various subjects.

In Bombay the "Tazia" procession has not been taken out for many years past but Kurla, Thana and Bandra have these processions where a number of people went to-day. The Muslims had a sectional holiday to-day while the public will have a holiday to-morrow when banks, courts and commercial offices will be closed.

TEACHERS JOIN STUDENT STRIKERS

KARACHI, Feb. 7.

The frequent strikes that occurred in a number of schools in the province are recalled by the Sind Government in their resolution reviewing the progress of education in the province during 1938/39.

The resolution expressing regret at the strikes says in some of these schools certain of the teaching staff went so far as to take part in them. The Government hopes that such demonstrations will not be repeated.

It adds that the Muslim community, which forms about 3/4ths of the total population, is educationally backward in this province. The greater portion of it is engaged in agricultural and other allied pursuits. Government, however, notes with satisfaction the progress made.

Statistics show that the number of Muslim students in all recognized and unrecognized schools increased by 9.8 and 14.2 per cent respectively.

Women's education made steady progress during the period. The number of girls in recognized institutions increased by 7.7 per cent. Expenditure on institutions specially maintained for girls increased from Rs. 9,99,422 to Rs. 11,11,388.

Compulsory primary education was introduced in Sukkur taluka and is proposed to be extended to all the province. A Montessori class was introduced in the training college for men at Hyderabad.

Special attention was paid to the education of scheduled classes. —A. P.

SMALL-POX RAGING IN 36 VILLAGES

POONA, Feb. 7.

Smallpox is spreading and 36 new villages were affected during the week under report in different districts. Smallpox cases and deaths for the week were 362 and 83 respectively as against 367 and 84 reported, and 454 and 90 revised for the previous week, says a press note issued by the Director of Public Health on the health conditions in the Bombay province for the week ending 1st February 1941.

Ordnance Clothing Factory At Sialkot

NEW DELHI, Feb. 4.

It has been decided to open an ordnance clothing factory at Sialkot, a clothing contract organisation at Agra and another such organisation at Secunderabad, to meet war demands. it is learned.

Negotiations are in progress for securing suitable buildings in Sialkot. Certain State buildings will be placed at the disposal of the Government of India both at Agra and Secunderabad for the use of these factories.—A. P.

RAJAHMUNDRY COUNCIL TO ENCOURAGE SPINNING.

RAJAHMUNDRY, Feb. 6.

The Rajahmundry Municipal Council has provided in the budget for current year, which has been adopted, a sum of Rs. 1,500 for the purchase of charkas and encouragement of spinning.—A. P.

REVISION IN ELECTRICITY RATES

Sind Govt. Appoints Advisory Board

KARACHI, Feb. 7.

To revise the existing rates of electricity in the province the Sind Government have set up an Advisory Board to examine the rates and accounts of electricity concerns at Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur, Shikarpur, Larkana and Mirpurkhas.

The Board consists of three members including Mr. T. V Thadani Chief Judge of the Small Causes Court as its chairman. It will tour these districts and submit its recommendations within four months.—A. P.

FOR COMMUNAL HARMONY AMONG VILLAGERS

Sind Unity Board To Employ 44 Workers And Hakims

KARACHI, Feb. 7.

The Sind Unity Board has sanctioned Rs. 4,400 for the employment of 44 workers and hakims to propagate communal harmony among the villagers in 11 talukas in Sukkur, Jacobabad and Larkana districts.

A sub-committee of four was appointed to make a selection of the workers and hakims.—A. P.

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CONGRESS OFFICIAL UNEARTHS DISTILLERY

22 Bottles Of Alleged Illicit Liquor And Wooden Implement Seized

(From Our Correspondent).

THANA, Feb. 5.

How a casual visit by a town Congress official to a relative of his staying in Khandke Building No. 10 at Dadar, resulted in unearthing a distillery of illicit liquor in an adjoining room was related by the official concerned.

It so happened that Mr. D. B. Tamhane, Secretary Thana Town Congress Committee and one of the Prohibition workers, had been yesterday to see a relative of his in Khandke Building No. 10. While chatting there, he suspected from the foul stench issuing from the adjoining room that some people must have been busy distilling illicit liquor. He made such inquiries as he could and immediately called there the Preventive staff in charge of the area.

The room was broken open and the Excise staff succeeded in attaching a wooden implement known as "working still" used for distilling liquor, twenty-two and a-half-bottles of illicit liquor and 14 gallons of fermented jaggery wash. Two persons said to be marathas were arrested and marched off to the Police Station. The Dadar Excise staff in charge of the section complimented Mr. Tamhane on the prompt steps taken by him in bringing to light the alleged illicit distillation carried on in a building in a busy locality of Dadar.

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PROGRESS IN LAND RECORD AND SETTLEMENT

Gwalior Administration Report For '38-'39

GWALIOR, Feb. 3.

The recently published annual administration report of the department of Land Records and Settlement, Gwalior Government reveals a marked progress in Settlement and Survey operations in the State. Two new Parganas of Mandsaur and Suvasra were added to the nine Parganas of the department, and nine more villages were brought under Settlement besides the 25 Raiyatawari villages of the last year. The Raiyatawari villages of Sheopur and Bijeypur were assessed on Zamindari Tenures and the same procedure was adopted in the case of Raiyatawari Forest villages. To cope with the increasing pressure of work, an additional Asst. Settlement Officer for Settlement Jagirat was sanctioned. Section Settlement Jagirat carried out the field work in 55 villages.

CULTIVATION OF NEW LAND

Effort has been made in the cultivation of culturable land and 3,26,350 bighas of such land have been brought under cultivation.

RISE IN INDO-CANADIAN TRADE

The trade between India and Canada rose by 2.44 lakhs in 1939-40. Canada is the third largest supplier of motor cars to India and 963 motor cars were imported as compared with 972 in the previous year.

There was however a phenomenal increase in the number of motor omnibuses imported which rose from 1,953 to 3,531. The total value of motor vehicles imported improved from Rs. 56 lakhs to Rs. 93 lakhs. Arrivals of aluminium declined from 7,300 cwts. to 1,700 cwts. Imports of carbide of calcium improved from 25,200 cwts. valued at Rs. three lakhs to 34,500 cwts. valued at Rs. five lakhs. The value of rubber manufactures imported amounted to Rs. two lakhs as against Rs. one lakh in 1938-39.

India's principal exports to Canada are jute manufactures (chiefly gunny cloth) and tea. The exports of gunny cloth advanced from 69 million yards to 134 million yards and those of gunny bags from Rs. four lakhs to Rs. nine lakhs. Exports of tea recorded a considerable improvement, shipments having risen from 15.5 million lbs. valued at Rs. 98 lakhs to 27.1 million lbs. valued at Rs. 1,82 lakhs. Despatches of Indian carpets and rugs to Canada were valued at Rs. eight lakhs.

CIVIL AVIATION TRAINING SCHEME

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

The full training programme both for flying and ground duties has been undertaken by the Karachi Aero Club for the training of the Government trainees under the Civil Aviation Training Scheme. The first batch of 10 trainees arrived here last month and the club has made special arrangements for them.

The increase in month's total flying time which amounted to 253 hours last month was chiefly due to Government flying.

The club has received from the Government three additional machines, one Tiger Moth and two Major Moths. Two further Tiger Moths are expected shortly. —A. P.

Dr. A. C. De Souza For Goa

BOMBAY, Friday.

Dr. A. C. L. De Souza, ex-M.L.C. and a prominent member of the East African National Congress, who arrived in India last month left Bombay for Goa by the Poona Mail, to-day.

Dr. De Souza, who has championed the cause of the Indian community in Africa has proceeded to Goa on a brief visit to obtain firsthand information of conditions there.

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MAHATMA BLESSES FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS

LAHORE, Feb. 4.

Mahatma Gandhi has sent his blessings to the "Fellowship of Faiths", a newly-formed organisasion which aims at cultivation of harmonious relations among the followers of different religions.

In a letter to Professor Abdul Majid Khan, one of the secretaries, Mahatma Gandhi says: "My hearty blessings with you. If all your members are sincere, you should form a strong nucleus".

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu has also sent her good wishes. She says: "The very name interprets the ideal and gives inspiration to those who become members of "The Fellowship of Faiths." They can do no greater service to their own country or to the world than to fulfil with sincerity, courage and large-hearted devotion the purpose for which "the fellowship" stands. My cordial good wishes are with you in this effort."

AIMS AND OBJECTS

The aims and objects of the Fellowship of Faiths are:—

1. To develop and foster a spirit of Fellowship among mankind by promoting intelligent study of different faiths; encouraging sympathetic appreciation thereof and by inculcating equal respect in the minds of all for various religions, scriptures, sages, saints and seers.

2. To strive for the cultivation of harmonious relations among the followers of different religious persuasions by:

(a) Arranging lectures, distributing posters and forming study circles etc etc.

(b) Common celebration of certain festivals, viz. I'd, Diwali, Basant and Xmas.

(c) Joint celebration of anniversaries of various Prophets, Leaders and reformers.

(d) Organizing unity processions, inter-communal dinners and national picnics.

(e) Holding religious and poetic symposiums.

Members of the Fellowship are required to sign a pledge whereby they undertake to "refrain from doing anything directly or indirectly, (by word, deed or intent) that engenders or encourages inter-communal hatred, religious discord, racial ill-will or theological fanaticism."

NAGPUR MOVE FOR OBSERVANCE OF "SUBHAS DAY"

NAGPUR, Feb. 6.

A meeting of the Provincial "Forward Bloc" was held last evening under the presidentship of Dr. Shivajirao Patwardhan, when a resolution expressing feeling of shock at the disappearance of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose was passed. The resolution also requested the Central Office of the Forward "Bloc" to fix a date for the observance of "Subhas Day" all over the country.

It was also decided to hold the Provincial "Forward Bloc" Conference at Nagpur during the Easter holidays, and that Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose be requested to preside. Sardar Sardulsingh Caveeshar, M.L.A., (Central) was requested to inaugurate the Conference.—United Press.

Eastern Group Provision Office

NEW DELHI, Feb. 7.

Besides the Central Provision Office to be established in India as a result of the Eastern Group Conference, it is learned here that each of the countries which took part in the Conference will have a Provision Office of its own, whose function will be to ascertain the requirements of the defence forces of the country concerned and make plans to secure their supply through the Central Provision Office from the Eastern Group Supply Council. The work of the Central Provision Office will be to co-ordinate the work of the Provision Offices of the various units of the Eastern Group and also the military requirements of these units.

As announced in the House of Commons, Maj.-Gen. W. C. Holden will be the Officer-in-Charge of the Central Provision Office, while it is understood that Mr. J. Whyatt, who was one of the Advisers to the Delegation from Hongkong to the Eastern Group Conference, will be the Secretary of the Eastern Group Supply Council. Mr. Whyatt has arrived in Delhi. It is anticipated that the staff of the Supply Council Secretariat will be drawn from the various countries represented at the October Conference.—A. P.

Bihar Hindi Sahitya Sammelan

PATNA, Feb. 7.

The Bihar Hindi Sahitya Sammelan concluded its two day session here last evening after passing a number of resolutions.

The main resolution before the Sammelan, which criticised the work of the Hindustani Committee appointed by the Congress Ministry, and advocated the withdrawal of the members of the Sammelan from that Committee was ultimately dropped after heated Debate.—A. P.

RELIGION IN CENSUS

Hindu Sabha Chief On Delhi Assurance On Work Of Enumerators

BOMBAY, Feb. 7

The plea that the census authorities should allow every person to describe his religion or community or caste by the name he chooses, is made by Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of a statement on the census operations now proceeding in the country.

He says: "I have received reports from several quarters that census authorities in some districts and even Provinces are refusing to record under the columns "religion" and "community" the entry of those persons who return themselves as belonging by religion or community as "Jain Hindu" or "Arya Hindu" or "Lingayat Hindu" etc., etc. The enumerators are instructed by these certain officers to record only one of these terms as either "Lingayat" or "Jain" or Arya" but not to record as "Jain Hindu", "Lingayat Hindu", etc.

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I draw the attention of all Hindu leaders and workers to this serious matter and call upon them to get this grievance redressed as quickly as possible by interviewing such officers or enumerators and impressing on them the fact that such a refusal on their part would be directly opposed to the Government orders and promises given by the Census Commissioner at Delhi who in an interview with Bhai Parmanandji and Lokanayak Aney had assured that the enumerators will record the religion or the community, race or caste precisely in the words of the person recording them.

Every person must be allowed to describe his religion or community or caste by the name which he or she chooses: whether the name be single-worded or multi-worded and the census officers are bound to record it accordingly. The same case holds good in the case of those Hindus who return their religion as "Hindus" and return their caste also as "Hindu", no census officer or enumerator can refuse to enlist the word "Hindu" in the column of "community" or "caste", if the person wants to record his caste or community as "Hindu", for the simple reason that he believes it and chooses to do so.—A. P.

BUDDHIST TEMPLE IN AFGHANISTAN

Beautiful Statues, Idols, Paintings And Carvings Also Found

PESHAWAR, Feb. 6.

A new gallery has been added to the Kabul Museum to lodge the recent discoveries in the Fandiquistan pass, 42 miles north of Kabul. This is near the confluence of Sanshar and Ghorband rivers, within the Hindu Kush mountains.

A report relating to the discovery of a Buddhist temple in Fandiquistan, four kilometers south of Siagard (Ghorband Pass), is published in the "Islah" of Kabul. It is stated that many beautiful statues and idols as well as paintings and carvings have been found. These have been transported to Kabul, where they have been catalogued in relation to other relics of the 5th and 6th century A.D.

These specimens of the art of Afghanistan in the Buddhist times were unearthed by Prof. Joseph Hackin, the well-known French archaeologist, who along with M. Carl and M. Beaudoin had been working in Afghanistan for many years on behalf of a Paris Museum.

The French archaeological expedition has been carrying out excavations in the Ghorband area since the end of May, 1937 till August 1940, when they went to join the free French forces abroad. —A. P.

Bombay's Additional Grant To Bangalore Institute

BANGALORE, Feb. 4.

The annual income of the Indian Institute of Science has risen from 5,14,000 rupees to 5,57,000. This was revealed at a meeting of the finance committee of the science institute which met yesterday.

This increase, it is stated, is largely due to the restoration of the grants from the Mysore and Hyderabad Governments and also additional grant in aid from the Government of Bombay.

CHARGED WITH OBTAINING MINOR GIRLS

Woman And Two Men On Trial In Bandra Court

BANDRA, Feb. 6.

A woman and two men were placed before the First Class Resident Magistrate, Mr. N. K. Dhamdhere on a charge of obtaining minor girls for unlawful and immoral purpose.

Mr. R. H. Dole appeared for the prosecution and Mr. P. V. Patil for the accused.

A widow stated in her evidence that the betrothal ceremony of her two minor daughters was performed last year. No marriage took place after the ceremony. When accused did not send her daughters after she had taken them away she applied to the D. S. P., B. S. D. to obtain her two daughters. The P. S. I. of Santa Cruz recorded her statement. Witness showed the residence of the accused woman. The Police took charge of her daughters.

In cross-examination, the witness stated she and her husband consented to the marriage. Witness did not remember the date of birth. Witness was aware of the Child Marriage Act. Witness did not give out the age to the accused.

Further hearing of the case was postponed till 20th February.

SIR RICHARD & STANDAGE FACE ANOTHER CHARGE OF CHEATING

BOMBAY, Friday.

The case in which Sir Richard Temple and S. M. Standage, directors of the firm of the Temple, Thomas and Standage, and H. D. Hudson, General Manager of the firm, are charged with alleged cheating and criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 4,000 and abetment thereof, opened to-day before Mr. Justice Broomfield at the Bombay High Court.

It was alleged that Hudson had cheated one E. X. D'Souza-Ticlo, an employee of the firm by inducing him to part with a sum of Rs. 4,000 and that the first two accused abetted the offence.

Mr. M. P. Laud, on behalf of the prosecution, said that Hudson induced Ticlo to part with the money as a security deposit by representing himself as the general manager of the firm. He also told Ticlo that the financial position of the firm was very sound, that Ticlo was one of the 300 applicants for the job of an accountant, that Ticlo stood a good chance of being appointed to the post and that he should furnish a good deposit as he would have to handle large sums of money.

It was also represented to Ticlo that the firm was a limited concern and that the deposit to be furnished by him would be dealt with strictly according to law and that it would not be used by the firm.

The prosecution further alleged that Standage represented to Ticlo that the company was registered and therefore, the amount furnished by him as deposit would not be made use of by the firm.

The prosecution alleged that Sir R. Temple abetted the offence by lending his name to the firm, whereby Ticlo was led to believe that the firm was a "bona fide" concern and must be financially sound and that it was evident from the circumstantial evidence that he knew about the money having been deposited.

Four Years For Attempt To Derail Train

JULLUNDUR, Feb. 5.

On a charge of attempting to derail a train on the Lohian-Ludhiana section of the N. W. Railway one Abdullah was sentenced to four years' rigorous imprisonment by the Additional District Magistrate, Jullundur, Guranditta, a co-accused, was acquitted.—A. P.

MANAGER AND SALESMAN OF CHEMISTS' FIRM ARRESTED

Alleged To Have Sold Medicine At Higher Price

BOMBAY, Friday.

Pannalal Bhikaram and Shevantilal Ambalal, Manager and Salesman respectively of Vorah Bros. and Co., Chemists and Druggists at Princess Street were arrested yesterday under the Defence of India Rules by the Bombay C.I.D.

Applying for an extension of the bail period of the accused, the police stated to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, that the accused sold a Bayer's medicinal preparation known as Mitigal oil, seven annas in excess of the price prescribed by the Government.

The Magistrate granted the police application.

Ex-Chief Of Liberals Optimistic About Dominion Status

MADRAS, Feb. 7.

"While I agree that complete independence ought to be our goal, I want that Dominion Status of the Westminster Variety should be accepted as a first step in that direction and every moral influence ought to be brought to bear on Britain and on world opinion to see that Eritain concedes Dominion Status and later on independence", observed Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, a former President of the National Liberal Federation, addressing the students of the Madras Christian College at Saidapet under the auspices of the College Union Society.

Mr. Sastri said it was possible to get the demand for Dominion Status conceded, if moral pressure were brought to bear on Britain.—A. P.

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Another Triumph For Roosevelt

Move To Supplant Lease And Lend Bill Defeated

Representatives Accept Proposal To Limit President's Powers In Respect Of Contracts

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

By 206 votes to 145 the House of Representatives to-day defeated the first attempt to change the original text of the "Lease and Lend" Bill.

The proposal was to supplant the Bill with another Bill under which aid to Britain would be supplied out of a credit of 2,000 million dollars.

5-YEAR TIME LIMIT

The House afterwards tentatively approved a proposal to impose a five-year limit on the powers which the Bill grants to the President to make contracts.

THE PROPOSAL EMANATED FROM THE DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND WAS DESIGNED TO MEET PROTESTS THAT THE PRESIDENT MIGHT ENTER INTO CONTRACTS BEFORE THE DATE ON WHICH THESE POWERS EXPIRED, NAMELY, JULY FIRST, 1943, WHICH MIGHT BIND CONGRESS FOR TEN YEARS THEREAFTER.

The suggested time limit of five years does not, however, apply to payments in rubber, tin or other forms of compensation which Foreign Governments might agree to make to the United States in return for material aid.

THE HOUSE VOTED BY 111 VOTES TO 74 AGAINST THE PROPSAL BY REPRESENTATIVE MUNDT TO WRITE INTO THE BILL AN ADMONITION TO THE PRESIDENT AGAINST THE CONVOYING OF AMERICAN VESSELS TO BELLIGERENT PORTS.

However, the provision stating that nothing in the Bill is to be construed as permitting or authorising the convoying of ships by American warships was tentatively approved.—Reuter.

London Raid-Free For 14th Night

R. A. F. Attacks Invasion Ports In Enemy-Occupied Territory

LONDON, Feb. 7.

While it is officially announced that R.A.F. bombers attacked invasion ports in enemy-occupied territory last night, London was raid-free for the fourteenth night out of the last 18. The rest of Britain was also quiet.

Early in the night enemy planes were believed to be in the vicinity of a town in the west country and another in South Wales, but no incidents were reported.

The lull followed a day during which there were no raids in any part of Britain.

The official declaration of the night's activity over Britain is contained in an Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security 'communique' this morning which said, "There was a little enemy activity over the West Coast during the early part of last night. No bombs were reported to have been dropped.—Reuter.

PRELUDE TO VICTORY

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Britain must win the air war as a prelude to victory, declared Air Commodore Goddard in a broadcast on Thursday night.

Goddard added that the recent lull meant that the German Air Force had been having difficulties.

We had got through the winter pretty well. Over 48 enemy aircraft have been destroyed in the last two months. The ratio of British successes to the losses in December and January was three to one.

Forty enemy planes—most of them the much-vaunted German Dive-Bombers—have been shot down near Malta in two months with only two British losses. It was a grand beginning.

Since June the R. A. F. squadrons in the Middle East had destroyed over 350 Italian aeroplanes in the air and probably as many on the ground. He disclosed that since June Britain had "collected" over 140 night bombers apart from those in the sea. British night gunners had shot down most of them.—Reuter.

INVASION OF BRITAIN UNLIKELY

LONDON, (By Cable).

The Military Correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" writes:

The movements of the German strength towards the Near East have a bearing on the question which is in everyone's mind whether the Germans are likely to risk a descent upon these Isles.

As far as can be judged in authoritative military quarters, there is the impression that with the German air force strengthening its detachment in Italy and with the present disposition of German Divisions, a descent upon these Islands becomes increasingly improbable.

General Wavell found it desirable to have air superiority of nearly four to one to obtain his decisive victories and it would appear to be a fair deduction that Germany would require at least similar superiority in the air before she could hope for any success against the British troops in Britain.

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN

Will Play More Than Conventional Role Like Halifax

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.

The suggestion that the new Ambassador Mr. Winant is destined to fulfil more than an Ambassador's conventional role is made by the "New York Herald Tribune," which approving his selection, finds it like that of Lord Halifax to the United States "outside the diplomatic routine."—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER'S ASSURANCE

CAIRO, Feb. 7.

The bombing of Britain's cities will never succeed in winning the war as long as there is one Australian left to stand beside the people of Britain, declared Mr. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, at a press reception at the British Embassy on Thursday night.

Referring to his impending visit to Britain Mr. Menzies said that the purpose he had was to take to the people of Britain a message of co-operation and encouragement from the people of Australia.

Australia's war contribution, he added, would be much greater than anyone thought possible before the war began. Without underestimating the difficulties in their enterprise, he had no doubt but that, with the co-operation of the whole empire we shall succeed.—Reuter.

Swami Anand who laid the foundation stone of the Local Board School Building at Versova, is seen addressing the gathering on the occasion.

MORE ITALIAN REVERSES

Counter-Attacks End In Disastrous Defeat

Heavy Losses In Men And Material: Greeks Stand Firm In New Position

ATHENS, Feb. 7.

A VIOLENT ITALIAN COUNTER-ATTACK, LAUNCHED YESTERDAY ON THE CENTRAL FRONT, HAS ENDED IN DISASTROUS ITALIAN DEFEAT, ACCORDING TO THE ATHENS RADIO ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

The enemy threw many troops and a considerable number of tanks and armoured cars into the battle in an attempt to break through the Greek lines. The Italians were pushed back behind their base lines and their losses in men and material were heavy.

Several tanks and four armoured cars were destroyed. The Greeks have established themselves firmly in their new position.

The announcer added that the operations on the Albanian front yesterday were satisfactory in all areas. On a mountain range beyond Klisura the Greek forces are now consolidating their recent gains and organising new positions with a view to extensive operations which may be expected when the weather improves.

Greek artillery is active in the northern sector but bad weather is hampering the Greek position, while in the coastal area some headway has been made.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA & INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

MELBOURNE, Feb. 6.

"There is no doubt of the seriousness of the international situation as it affects Australia" declared Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Fadden and the Labour Leader, Mr. Curtin in a joint statement after a meeting of the War Council.

The Council discussed the developments in the Far East and called into conference Vice-Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, who was lent by the British Admiralty to the Australian Government as the First Naval Member of the Australian Naval Board and Air Chief Marshal, Sir Charles Burnett, Chief of Australian Air Staff.

The statement also declared: "The War Council realises the necessity for taking all possible steps and calls each individual for the maximum effort."—Reuter.

French Prisoners Of War From Switzerland

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The last French prisoners of war in Switzerland have left Berne for France, bringing the number who have returned from Switzerland to 28,000 according to the Lyons Radio. Train bringing 800 sick and wounded French prisoners from Germany has arrived at Toulouse.—Reuter.

Malaya And War Supplies

SINGAPORE, Feb. 6.

The Malayan Government has accepted the recommendations of the recent Eastern Group Conference at Delhi on war supplies.

A New Department of Supply has been set up to carry out the scheme.—Reuter.

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LAVAL BIDS FOR—

Gives Petain Ultimatum; Wants To Set Up Govt. In Paris?

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.

M. Laval's terms to Marshal Petain are understood to be tantamount to an ultimatum, it is understood in Berlin, according to the "New York Times" correspondent.

If accepted, they would make M. Laval Prime Minister with far-reaching powers, leaving Marshal Petain in a position analogous to President Hindenburg's in his closing years, it is gathered.

THE CORRESPONDENT ADDS THAT THERE IS A STRONG SUSPICION IN BERLIN THAT M. LAVAL WILL NOT RETURN TO VICHY IN ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT WILL INSTEAD SET UP A GOVERNMENT IN PARIS.

Dealings no longer turn on whether M. Laval will return to the Petain Government, the Correspondent says, but on how great his powers will still be.

M. LAVAL WANTS TO BE HEAD OF A GOVERNMENT WITH POWERS TO APPOINT AND DISCHARGE MINISTERS AND BE RESPONSIBLE ONLY TO MARSHAL PETAIN, WHO WOULD BE CHIEF OF THE STATE IN THE MANNER OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

Petain's Decision In Week-End?

LONDON, Feb. 7

The Vichy correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Gazette de Lausanne" writes: "Marshal Petain knows that a vast majority of French people mistrust M. Laval, regarding him as Hitler's gauleiter for France."

While nothing authentic is known of the Franco-German negotiations, the Swiss press generally expects a solution of the crisis very soon.

This view coincides with a forecast issued by the official German News Agency to-day that "Marshal Petain will probably communicate his decision to the nation in a radio address this week-end."

Cabinet Opposition To Laval's Return

A surprise meeting of the French Cabinet was held yesterday morning, states the Swiss radio, just before Admiral Darlan's departure for Paris where he is to continue negotiations on the German-backed demand for M. Laval's return to the Councils of the French Government.

It was believed earlier that Vichy's policy and proposals had been settled at yesterday's Cabinet meeting when Admiral Darlan reported on his first visit to Paris.

No communique was issued after to-day's Cabinet meeting nor has any statement been made on Marshal Petain's subsequent talk with the United States' Ambassador, Admiral Leahy, though certain observers attach significance to this, especially in view of unconfirmed reports that **THERE IS STILL CONSIDERABLE RELUCTANCE INSIDE THE VICHY CABINET TO M. LAVAL'S RETURN.**

French War Minister Accompanies Darlan

General Huntziger, the French Minister of War, accompanied Admiral Darlan to Paris on Thursday, according to German reports from Vichy received in Madrid.

It is also stated that before they left Vichy the newly appointed head of the German War Industries Commission in France called on General Huntziger.

Colonel Angel Gonzalez, Chief of the Cuban Navy Staff who was dismissed and placed under detention by President Batista on the ground that he had taken part in seditious activities left Havana to-night with his wife for Florida.

Churchill's Tributes To Lord Lloyd

Lloyd Barrage Will Link His Name To Prosperity Of Millions

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Warm endorsement was given from all sides in the House of Commons to Mr. Churchill paying a tribute to Lord Lloyd. The Premier said, "We championed several causes together which did not command the applause of large majorities, but it is just in those cases where swimming is against the stream that one learns the worth and quality of a comrade and a friend".

Referring to Lord Lloyd's special knowledge of India, Egypt and Arabia, the Premier said, "His death will be mourned in wide circles of the Moslem world".

The administration of the Bombay Presidency was at once firm and progressive, and the great Lloyd Barrage is a monument which will link his name to the prosperity of the millions unborn who will see around them villages, townships, temples and fertile fields where all was formerly naught but savage scrub and sand.

Lord Lloyd took over the High Commissionership of Egypt in a dark hour after the murder of Lee Stack. He restored a very great measure of stability and tranquillity without bloodshed and violence. He gained the goodwill of the important elements in Egypt without sacrificing British interests.

The relations with Egypt have progressively improved since though other hands and other viewpoints have played a part in them. If he, like other British statesmen, promised to protect Egypt from foreign aggression, he lived long enough to see all British obligations brilliantly vindicated by the decisions of the war.—Reuter.

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